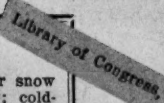


THE WEATHER.

Snow in north, rain or snow in south portion Sunday; colder with moderate, possibly brisk north winds; Monday fair, continued cold.



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MORE MYSTERY IN THE SNEAD CASE

Mrs. Martin's Action Toward Her Sister Astonished The Court.

MAY FIGHT EXTRADITION

Unfriendly Relations Between Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Snead—More Evidence in Secured—Fighter of the Family.

New York, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Carolyn Martin astonished the court today by her denial of any connection save that of blood with her sister, Mrs. Mary Snead. Both women were brought before a police magistrate to answer whether or not they would fight extradition to New Jersey where, with a third sister, Virginia Wardlaw, they are all charged with the murder of Oney Snead, Mrs. Martin's daughter. A further hearing will be held on Monday.

The sisters stood side by side heavily veiled as always, and robed in old-fashioned black. Sister Mary was mute, but Sister Caroline showed herself the fighter of the family.

"I hadn't seen this woman," she said in a dead, unemotional voice, "for a long time until she came to the toms. I know little of her. We have nothing to do with each other. Our cases are entirely separate."

Squat, broad and almost shapeless in her heavy folds of black, she planted herself in stolid opposition to the court and the detectives, fighting for the court and public sympathy. When she lifted her veiled face was disclosed as brown as a walnut shell and so wrinkled that the eyes were almost hidden.

Mrs. Martin was brought into court today in company with Mrs. Mary Snead her sister, also under arrest in connection with the alleged murder. The court allowed her considerable latitude at first.

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Wires Must Be Placed Under Ground in Richmond—Injunction Dissolved.

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BLADEN COUNTY RAILROAD

Large Meeting in Lumberton in Interest of One Project—Other News and General Notes From Robeson's County Seat.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 18.—Quite a number of our citizens assembled in the Court House last night to discuss the advantages to Lumberton of the proposed new railroad from here to Elizabethtown. Mayor Rowland presided. Mr. Geo. B. McLeod, promoter of the new road, addressed the meeting, going carefully over the plans of the new line and stated that all he asked at the hands of the people of Lumberton was their moral support. He does not ask for a dollar in money. The road is to be constructed without bond issue of any kind and will be built from Lumberton capital. The meeting was also addressed by Messrs. R. D. Caldwell, Frank Gough, R. E. Lee, A. E. White, W. P. Barker and others. All realize the benefits to be derived by the construction of the road and everyone will do what they can in that direction. The road is to be a standard gauge line and not merely a tram road for timber purposes as some seem to think.

Among the many things your correspondent can't understand is the booze problem. What becomes of the large quantity of it that comes to Lumberton? It is hard to believe that the eight little men who said last year by their votes that they wanted liquor, could consume a gallon out of every barrel that is coming here now and know day from night. Snakes don't often bite in December.

We understand the cotton mills will close down Thursday night for Christmas. The two weeks' term of Robeson County civil cases adjourns Thursday. Miss Laurette Trout, who has been in the millinery department of Caldwell & Carlyle for the past two or three seasons, left this evening for her home at Forest City to spend the holidays.

On Christmas Day religious services will be held at the First Baptist church at 11 A. M. at which time a collection will be taken for the aged ministers of the Association. At 3 P. M. the Christmas services will be held at East Lumberton Baptist Church. The little folks will be made happy with a Christmas tree and Santa Claus.

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WRECK NEAR GREENSBORO

Report of Corporation Commission Awaited—Tuberculosis Campaign. Mrs. Andrews' Injuries—Other Notes.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—The North Carolina Historical Commission secures the Charles E. Johnson collection of papers, letters and other documents bearing on the history of North Carolina, which will be made available for students of State History as speedily as possible. In the collection are 2,519 letters, legal documents, business papers and other important historical documents, covering the history of the State from an early Colonial period well into the 19th century.

The fight against tuberculosis was fully launched here today by the organization of an anti-tuberculosis society officered by W. N. Hutcheson, J. Judd and Mrs. T. P. Jorman as president; Dr. Albert Anderson, secretary, and Col. F. A. Olds, treasurer. A definite campaign against tuberculosis will be outlined and adopted next Tuesday.

Secretary Robert C. Strong, of the Committee on Legislation and Laws Reform of the North Carolina Bar Association, is issuing to members of the Bar Association in all parts of the State official requests that attorneys having suggestions to make in regard to changes in the statute laws of the State, send them to the secretary of this committee, so that they may be considered by that committee at a meeting to be hereafter called for that purpose, in view of making recommendations to the next meeting of the North Carolina Bar Association.

While Mrs. A. B. Andrews is not considered to be in any great danger at all from the injuries sustained in the terrible runaway early in the week, she is not improving as fast as it was expected that she would. She had a bad night last night but has shown improvement today. The terrible nervous shock was possibly worse for her than the actual bodily injuries which were quite painful.

Mrs. S. Brown Shepherd was taken to Rex hospital today for a very dangerous operation for mastoiditis, especially dangerous because of the close proximity to the brain of the small bone that must be removed.

The gentlemen of the Raleigh High School committee were special guests at the Christmas party given by the members of the domestic science class. In charge was Miss Josephine Evans, of Chicago, instructor in domestic science, and assisting her were Misses Margaret Ivey, Katharine Sherwood and Frances Walters.

School committees present were Thomas Crowder, B. P. Montague, C. Rosenthal, Dr. R. H. Lewis, Mayor Wynne. The affair was a convincing demonstration of the effectiveness of the work being done in the domestic science department of the Raleigh High School under the superintendence of Mr. F. M. Harper.

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A. C. L. AUTHORIZES SURVEY

Important Developments in Railroad World Expected to Follow Meeting of Directors in New York—New Lines.

(Special Star Telegram.)

New York, Dec. 18.—That important railway developments in North and South Carolina may be expected to follow the meeting of the Atlantic Coast Line directors in this city Thursday is announced today in the authentic information that at this meeting the directors authorized a survey of an entirely new line from Hartsville, S. C., via McBee, S. C., to Monroe, N. C., and thence to Charlotte, N. C., with still another survey of a new line from Wadesboro, N. C., to Monroe.

The development in the railroad situation is significant in connection with the building of the Southbound from Winston to Wadesboro jointly by the Atlantic Coast Line and the Norfolk & Western, connecting at Winston with the N. & W., and at Wadesboro with the A. C. L.

Another interesting railroad development in North Carolina is announced by John A. Mills, of Raleigh, president of the Raleigh & Southport, who announces that work on the extension of his lines from Hope Mills to Fayetteville will begin early in the new year. The distance from Hope Mills to Fayetteville is only 32 miles and the Raleigh & Southport is behind the movement for the building of that link announced this week.

THE SLAVE TRAFFIC BILL.

Vigorous Minority Report Will be Washington, Dec. 18.—There will be a very vigorous minority report by four Democratic members of the House committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce on the Mann "white slave" bill, which was favorably acted upon by a majority of that committee today.

The minority report, which will be written by Representative Richardson, of Alabama, will assert that the whole matter is one to be handled by the Immigration Committee, that the Interstate Commerce Commission has no jurisdiction whatever, and that the Mann bill, which aims at the suppression of the traffic by means of regulation of interstate commerce is unconstitutional and a gross violation of the right of States to regulate the morals of their own inhabitants.

The minority report will be signed by Representatives Richardson, of Alabama; Bartlett, of Georgia; Adamson, of Georgia, and Peters, of Massachusetts.

"This piece of legislation," said Representative Richardson today, "I characterize as the worst piece of cant and hypocrisy that has lately been perpetrated by the Republican party."

Because the majority believes that it is in relation to subject upon which we dare not offer objection to any kind of regulation, they purpose to enact a law that lets down the bars as far as invading the rights of States are concerned. If this bill becomes a law the Federal government can go any extent in enforcing the regulation of the morals and health of any State.

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Confidence in North Pole Explorer in Copenhagen Waning.

AN ANIMATED DISCUSSION

Examination of Records Not Sufficient For a Final Decision—Committee's Work Unfinished—Peary Smiles at Report.

Copenhagen, Dec. 18.—The consistory of the University of Copenhagen at a secret session today received from the examining committee a preliminary report covering the first stage of the work of the committee which is examining the North Pole records of Dr. Frederick A. Cook.

The consistory listened to the report which provoked an animated discussion. It appears that the data so far submitted are not held sufficient to establish the explorer's claims. The result of today's discussion was a request on the part of the consistory that the committee continue its work.

It is announced by an official of the University that the consistory will not make public any communication based upon information received orally from the committee at today's meeting.

The report was presented by Rector Torp, but its nature was carefully guarded. It was admitted, however, that the work thus far accomplished provoked an animated debate among the university officials.

"The committee's work is not yet finished," said Rector Torp. "I cannot tell how long it will continue, but I hope that the report can be made public before new years." Both the members of the consistory and the examining committee have been forbidden strictly to make public any thing whatever regarding what has been accomplished thus far by the investigators.

From the beginning of the controversy the populace of Copenhagen has been decidedly pro-Cook. Patriotism has strengthened this sentiment. Recent developments, however, have been disappointing, and today the general impression prevails that Dr. Cook's papers as submitted do not constitute proof that he discovered the North Pole.

It is learned that several members of the University consistory are exceedingly angry over the rector's preliminary report, one of them expressing regret that the university had not waited until Dr. Cook's claim that he had reached the pole had been proved before honoring him.

The Copenhagen newspapers up to the present have been wholly friendly to Dr. Cook, but it is learned that some of the leading dailies tomorrow will print articles throwing doubt on Cook's trustworthiness.

Peary Wouldn't Talk. New York, Dec. 18.—Commander Robert E. Peary smiled broadly today when informed that a Copenhagen dispatch had been received quoting a preliminary examination of Dr. Cook's records failed to find proof that the physician had found the North Pole. And that smile was the only answer that Commander Peary made. "Absolutely nothing to say," said Commander Peary.

Efforts to locate Dr. Frederick A. Cook, renewed today, were fruitless in developing any trace of the explorer.

"I believe as I have from the first that Dr. Cook is in Europe," said H. Wellington Cook, former counsel for Dr. Cook, today.

Dr. Cook's close friends said tonight that the doctor previous to dispatching his polar data to the University of Copenhagen, had written in private to Rector Torp, informing him that in the event of an adverse decision, he, Dr. Cook, would appeal from the findings of the consistory. His instruments and three documents important to his case, Dr. Cook pointed out in his letter, are still at Etah, and it is thought possible, in view of the fact that all of the evidence was not in the University might find a Scotch verdict of "not proven."

In such event, the doctor wrote he would send out an expedition to go to Greenland next Summer and bring his complete records and his instruments back with him. If the verdict of the consistory is hostile, however, this expedition will not be attempted.

If the consistory submits in his favor, Dr. Cook will further submit his data, his friends assert, to the authorities of Geneva and Brussels, both of which cities have asked for an opportunity to examine them.

Funds For Expedition.

Funds for the expedition to Greenland, should it be decided to make one have already been pledged by two friends of Dr. Cook who still believe in him, and John B. Hammond has offered the use of his yacht.

There was a further rumor tonight, well substantiated, but impossible of positive verification, that Dr. Cook is now within thirty-six hours journey of Copenhagen, ready to appear personally before the University consistory if his presence is desired. The

LYNCH IS LEAGUE PRESIDENT

Club Owners of National Association Broke Deadlock by Selecting T. J. Lynch—Ward and Brown Were Turned Down.

New York, Dec. 18.—The deadlock in the National League of professional baseball clubs over the election of a president was unexpectedly broken this afternoon by the unanimous selection of Thomas J. Lynch, whose name had not been considered or publicly mentioned for the position.

There is reason to believe that the eight league presidents held a secret conference which did not end until 2 o'clock this morning at which the supporters of John A. Ward, of New York, and Robert W. Brown, of Louisville, came to an understanding. It was understood that each side, seeing the other equally firm, instructed John T. Brush, of the New York club, to select a man whose name had not been before the league as a candidate. Brush consulted none of his colleagues, but telegraphed to New Britain, Conn., for Thomas J. Lynch to come to New York at once.

When the league met today three ballots were taken, all of them resulting in the same tie—four for Ward and four for Brown. Then, apparently by agreement, President Ebbets, of Brooklyn, read a letter from Ward in which he withdrew from the contest. At the same time Stanley Robinson, of St. Louis, withdrew Brown's name. Following the pre-arranged plan, Brush then nominated Lynch, referring to him by his better known title "King of Umpires." The seven other managers quickly seconded the motion and the election was made unanimous.

Ebbets then nominated John A. Heydler, for secretary and treasurer, a position which he has filled continuously for many years. There was a hitch here. It was understood that Heydler would not accept the appointment for one year and as a consequence he was nominated for three years and unanimously elected.

Lynch's election is for one year. After the meeting Lynch and Heydler were formally introduced to the newspaper men. Both made speeches. Lynch is 51 years of age and was for a long time a resident of Cincinnati before going to Connecticut. To the reporters he said:

"The hardest thing the president of the league has to do is to protect his umpires and I want the newspaper men to help me. If you see an umpire that you think won't do, come and tell me about it and I will keep my eye on him. Don't roast him. That does no good. The public, the players and the umpires will get nothing but a square deal from me and everything will be above board and open to the newspapers." Heydler's speech was laudatory of Lynch as an umpire.

The schedule committee consists of President Lynch and Presidents Ebbets, of Brooklyn, and Dreyfus, of Pittsburgh. Although no official announcement was made, it was said at headquarters that the National League had directed its schedule committee to prepare a 168 game schedule. The 1909 schedule was one of 154 games and recent action by the American League indicated that that organization intended to hear to the old limit for next season's play.

The only change in the board of directors elected today is the entrance of John T. Brush, of New York, in place of President Dovey, of the Boston Club.

The resolution changing the by-laws so that no club may carry more than 25 players during the "playing season" caused some confusion. The magnates did not specify the dates of the "playing season." President Ebbets, however, declared that the "playing season" would be from May 10th to August 20th, and that the resolution would permit clubs to carry not more than 25 players from August 20th to May 10th. Before May 10th and after August 20th the clubs are usually trying out new players and their staffs are larger.

The American League adopted a similar resolution, but it specifically stated the "playing season" to be from May 1st to August 20th.

The Spring meeting of the league will be held in New York this year, instead of Chicago, as heretofore. The waiver rule was amended so that a club need not dispose of a player to an intending purchaser even after waivers are secured unless the terms are finally deemed to be satisfactory.

Lynch, the new president, was an umpire in the National League from 1886 to 1901, with one or two years of retirement sandwiched in that period. His honesty and fairness became a by word with "fans" who continued to remember him with respect even after he retired voluntarily in 1901, to manage the theatre he owns at New Britain, Conn.

doctor had so written Rector Torp his friends assure.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Intense interest was manifested here today by officials of the National Geographic Society in the preliminary report of the committee of the University of Copenhagen that it had failed to find proof substantiating Dr. Cook's claim that he had reached the North Pole April 21st, 1908. None, however, would permit himself to be quoted.

It is a fact, however, that there has been in the membership of the Society a large element that was skeptical of Dr. Cook's claim, and that for this reason Dr. Cook would not consent to have the Society pass upon his records.

reach Corinto tomorrow afternoon when the 500 marines aboard will be available, in case alarming reports are received.

WOMAN'S STRANGE ACTION.

Dying at Norfolk Hospital Refuses to Reveal Her Identity.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—Mystery still shrouds the identity of the young woman who attempted to commit suicide by shooting herself through the head, in her room at Queen Anne Cottage, Virginia Beach.

Lying at St. Vincent's hospital, her life hanging by a slender thread this mysterious young woman maintains a stolid silence regarding her name, residence, and the motive which inspired her to try to end her existence. When she arrived at Queen Anne Cottage Wednesday she registered as Miss Ruth Morton, of Chicago, although this is undoubtedly an assumed name.

Miss Morton, it is believed, will reveal her identity when she is convinced that the end is near, the attending physicians at this time holding out absolutely no hope for her recovery.

The only clue that may lead to the discovery of the identity of the young woman is the label on the bottle containing the laudanum which she drank in an effort to kill herself. The label bears the name of the Willow Drug Company, of Manville, R. I. An effort is being made by the police to identify her.

Miss Morton is about 25 years old. She is tall, handsome and refined looking; weighs about 150 or 160 pounds. Her hair is dark brown; her eyes large and brown. She wore a blue tailor-made suit lined with white satin. Her gloves are black kid with gauntlets, her hat a large round one, trimmed with two feathers and two red roses and red velvet leaves. Other articles of wearing apparel were a long automobile veil and a feather boa.

TRIBUTE TO LATE JUSTICE.

Judge Parker's Eulogy Upon Character of Justice Peckham.

Washington, Dec. 18.—With Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, presiding and delivering the principal address of eulogy, the members of the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States met in the Supreme Court rooms at the Capitol shortly after 11 o'clock today and adopted resolutions commemorating the late Justice Rufus W. Peckham, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. The assemblage of distinguished members of the bar was called to order by Solicitor General Lloyd W. Bowers, who moved the selection of Judge Parker, to preside. Upon assuming the chair Judge Parker delivered his address upon the character and accomplishments of the late Justice.

Judge Parker then announced the appointment of a committee of 12 members of the bar with United States Senator Elihu Root as chairman to draft suitable resolutions of respect. The resolutions were presented later and paid a high compliment to the late jurist, declaring that "for a full half century he served the cause of justice without fear and without reproach." It was added that his "learning and strong powers of reasoning preserved the standards of the law." Further the resolutions avowed that Justice Peckham's knowledge of affairs and the breadth and vigor of his sympathies with the life and men of his time saved his judgments from pedantry and made them effective instruments for the application of old principles to new conditions.

"The influence of his life," concluded the resolutions, and the effect of his work have contributed powerfully to promote that respect for law and for the courts of our country which underlies all of our institutions."

HIRAM ELLIOTT CONVICTED.

Given Five Years for Manslaughter—Victim's Father Acquitted.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 18.—Hiram Elliott was today found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for the killing of Simpson Coble, whose father, Daniel Coble indicted jointly with Elliott and tried at the same time, was found not guilty.

Simpson Coble, a month ago, was found lying unconscious within a few feet of Hiram Elliott's residence and died the next day. He was a brother-in-law of Elliott. At a preliminary hearing Daniel Coble admitted he knew the boy was lying there injured and that he thought, or knew, that Elliott had struck him, but that his son was not seriously hurt. Elliott and young Coble had been unfriendly and had a fight that afternoon. On the witness stand Elliott admitted striking the fatal blow but did so in self defense.

Delightful Action of Home Made Fat Reducer

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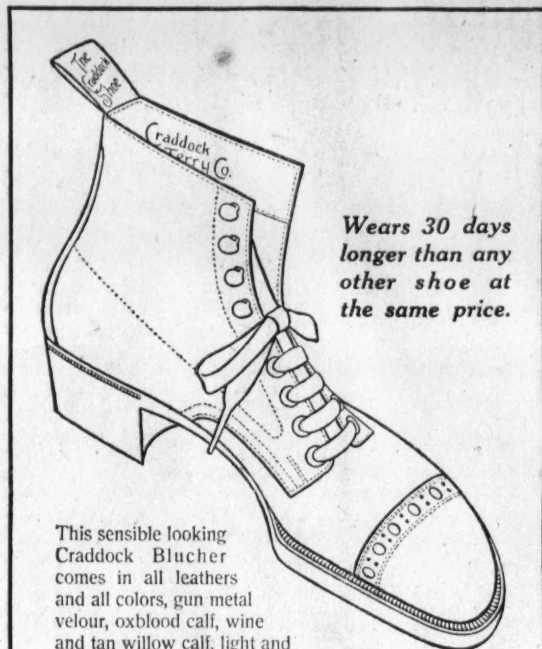
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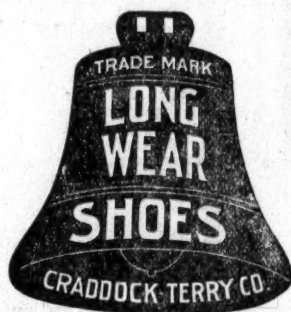
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THE STATE IN EPITOME

News, Comment and Incidents as Reflected in North Carolina.

Raising Pork.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. B. N. Gilmore, of Goldston, killed two pigs ten and one half months old which weighed 602 pounds. He purchased these pigs from Mr. DeWitt Smith, breeder and shipper of pigs, at Pedlar's Hill, at seven weeks old. Who can beat this with pigs of that age?

Girls "To the Bat."

Charlotte News: The basket ball team of the Charlotte High School will go to Salisbury this evening to play the High School of that place. The Charlotte team is "manned" by the following named: Misses Janet Hall, Isabel Chapman, Emily Durham, Sarah Moseley and Sadie Wilson. Miss Louise Spang will go along as mascot and coach.

POLYGAMOUS DOCTOR.

Uxorious Syrian in Trouble at Statesville.

Statesville, Dec. 17.—"Dr." George Jones, a Syrian, who with his wife, Mary Jones, has been stopping at the Henry House since Saturday, was arrested yesterday morning by Sheriff Deaton and placed in jail on two warrants from Bristol, Tenn., charging him with obtaining goods under false pretenses and the larceny of a horse and buggy. It is understood that he is also wanted in Abingdon, Va., to answer a charge of bigamy, it being alleged that he has three living wives, one of whom he deserted in Virginia only a few weeks ago to marry the woman who is with him here. He will be taken to Bristol as soon as requisition papers can be secured. The warrants for "Dr." Jones were brought to Statesville Wednesday night by D. Curry and S. E. Isaac, of Bristol, also Syrians, the latter being a special officer, and the former being a member of the firm from which it is alleged that Jones secured the goods under false pretense. These men had been on the trail of Jones for some days and located him here Wednesday night. Jones had in his possession a portion of the goods, which he surrendered to Curry, and a horse and buggy which his pursuers identified as the outfit alleged to have been stolen at Bristol. Jones, who is said to be a desperate character, became furiously mad when placed under arrest and showed fight.

"Dr." Jones—he says he is a doctor and carries a medicine case—drove through the country from Johnson City, Tenn., to Statesville, and his wife, who came by rail, joined him here Saturday. Jones peddled goods to the farmers along the roads over which he passed enroute here, the goods being a portion of those he is alleged to have secured wrongly.

PROMINENT DOCTOR SENTENCED

Dr. Haines, of Rutherford, Convicted of Violating Revenue Laws.

Dr. S. A. W. Haines, of Rutherford county, once the native health of the old fashioned blockader and operator of the illicit distillery, but with the advent of prohibition, and government activity, greatly transformed, was before Judge James E. Boyd yesterday afternoon charged with violating the internal revenue laws and was sentenced to serve a 15 months' term of imprisonment, probably in the Atlanta Federal prison, and to pay a fine of one hundred dollars.

Dr. Haines is a man about 38 years old and has been prominent as a physician in his county for a dozen years, attending the sick beds of the simple country folk as well as those of the more wealthy of his community and has borne an unblemished reputation, "for twenty years," according to one witness.

Dr. Haines claimed that he was hunting for a party from whom he desired to collect money, and not finding the man at home, was directed to a place a mile or so distant, where he ran upon a party of men, who appeared to be operating a still, and that failing to find his man, he departed to his home, carrying his lantern and attempting to conceal nothing. He denied that his brother was with him carrying a bucketful of the mountain dew.

The sentencing of Dr. Haines has produced a slight sensation both here and in his own county of Rutherford, where he has practiced and attended the sick for many years. He is a man of good appearance, and it is difficult to realize the unpromising future that awaits him, his only chance being an appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals.

JULE CARR, AN UNSOURED GIVER

Statesville Landmark Cites Instances of Generous Acts.

The most liberal man in North Carolina is Gen. J. S. Carr, of Durham. His liberality is not circumscribed by race or creed; neither does he try to buy public opinion for a purpose. A few times he has asked for political honors and has been turned down. He is not soured, but he goes on giving with an open hand for the love of giving and the love of his fellow man. A few years ago Gen. Carr was at Montreal (Presbyterian headquarters) on business for his denomination (the Methodist). While he was there the Presbyterians were trying to raise money to send a number of

missionaries abroad. Many volunteers were ready to go and the means were lacking. It was announced that the cost of equipment and passage money for each missionary was \$400. When subscriptions were being called for Gen. Carr announced that he would pay for one—\$400. "You're a Methodist, General," said one of his acquaintances. "Oh, that doesn't matter," was the reply; and it didn't. The other day when a canvass was being made among the Presbyterians of Durham for the Davidson College endowment fund, Gen. Carr subscribed \$1,000 to endow a ministerial scholarship in honor of his former comrade in arms, Col. W. J. Martin, long a member of the Davidson faculty. These instances could be multiplied by the hundred—and his help of the poor by the thousand.

EVERY CASE AGAIN CONTINUED

Trouble in Getting Witnesses in Charlotte Assault Cases.

The case against Leroy Avery, the negro charged with attacking a number of white girls of the city recently was continued in the recorder's court this morning until Tuesday morning. One of the State's witnesses was examined and several character witnesses for the defendant and also one or two for the State were absent at the attorneys for both the prosecution and the defense joined in asking for a continuance.

Defending the defendant are Messrs. E. R. Preston and Neil R. Graham while Col. W. C. Maxwell is conducting the prosecution.

Ada Wiley, colored, on whom it was alleged the negro boy made an attack on East First street Saturday night, was the main witness examined this morning, and she positively identified the defendant as the boy who made the attempt on her. She said she noticed the boy standing in front of the Academy of Music as she passed along South Trye street Saturday night and that he looked her coming up with her, grabbing her when she reached a dark place on East First. She said he wore the same suit of clothes and cap that night which he had on this morning, and was positive, in every particular, in her identification.

The other witnesses against the defendant will be present Tuesday morning when the preliminary hearing will be completed.

MR. TOM O'BERRY ILL.

Stricken With Acute Appendicitis or His Bridal Tour.

Goldston, N. C., Dec. 18.—After being happily married in Kingston on Tuesday last and while in Philadelphia on his bridal trip, a telegram brings the news from that city that Mr. Tom O'Berry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan O'Berry, of this city, was stricken with an acute and alarming attack of appendicitis and that an operation had been performed with the result that it was discovered he was afflicted with a perforated appendix.

The entire family of the unfortunate young man are speeding to his bedside accompanied by their family physician, Dr. M. E. Robinson. The sad news has cast a gloom over the entire community who will anxiously await the rounding of the immediate danger period, which will not reach its crisis until Sunday night. A long distance phone message tonight from Mr. O'Berry's nurse in the hospital reports his condition at this hour as being favorable for his recovery.

MR. J. B. HOLLAND DEAD.

Merchant at Newbern Passed Away Yesterday—The Funeral.

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 18.—Mr. J. B. Holland, a prominent dry goods merchant, died this morning after an illness of five weeks. For many years he has conducted the store of J. B. Holland & Co. on Pollock street. He was 58 years old and a prominent figure in his church and a director of the Newbern Banking & Trust Co. He leaves three children and two sisters. The funeral will occur at the Middle Street Baptist Church Sunday afternoon.

Why Kidney Disease is Dangerous. Kidney disease is dangerous because it comes on unawares and progresses to a fatal stage before the sufferer realizes what the trouble is.

If you begin to run down, feel badly, have indigestion, inactive liver, etc., you have reason to suspect that your kidneys are affected and a special kidney treatment should be taken at once. Delays are dangerous. Rydale's Kidney Remedy is the best remedy known for the kidneys. Rydale's Kidney Remedy will cure Bright's Disease if taken before too much of the kidneys are destroyed. The Remedy can do no harm if your kidneys are not the cause of your illness. It is the safest remedy if they are the cause. Put up in pill form in 25c and 50c sizes. Robert R. Bellamy.

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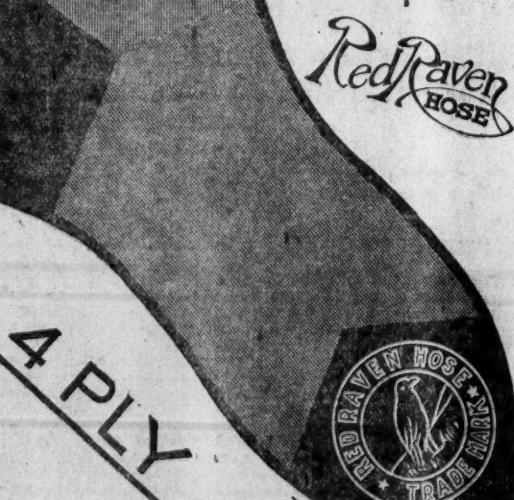
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ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE. Having duly qualified as Administrator of the Estate of N. F. Parker, late of Brunswick County, this is to notify all creditors to present their accounts to the undersigned, duly verified, on or before the 20th day of November, 1910, or this notice will be plead to bar recovery. All parties indebted to said Estate will make immediate payment to me. This notice applies to all purchases made by my decedent for the benefit of said Estate, of which he was sole proprietor. This 5th day of December, 1909. ANNE PARKER, Administratrix. N. F. Parker, Deceased. Cranmer & Davis, Attorneys. de 19 09 su.

HOLIDAY GOODS

75 Barrels Baldwin Apples.
50 Crates Oranges.
125 Boxes Raisins.
75 Sacks Cocoanuts.
50 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
50 Boxes Stick Candy.
25 Pails Mixed Candy.
25 Pails Crescent Creams.
20 Cases Fancy Candy.
75 Small Cheese.
60 Small Tubs Butter.
75 Half Barrels Mott's Cider.
100 Barrels Medium Sized Mulletts.
2,000 Sacks Rice, all grades.
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The above goods were bought on lowest market, especially the flour and mulets, all of which will be sold on a close margin and I respectfully invite purchasers to see me before placing their orders.

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Said bonds bear interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and mature 40 years after date of issue. Bonds and interest payable at such place as the purchaser may designate. The city reserves the right to reject any, or all bids. Deposit of 2 per cent. required with each bid.

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City Clerk and Treasurer.
no 28-54-t.

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SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30, 4:00, 6:00, 6:30, 6:10, 7:10 and 8:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Lumina at 7:45, 9:15, and 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 4:45 and 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Lumina at 9:45, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 4:45, 4:15, 4:45, 5:15, 5:45, 6:25, 6:50, 7:50 and 9:15 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 6:50, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 4:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 6:20, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 6:35, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE.

FRONT AND PRINCESS.

TO CAROLINA PLACE.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess at 6:52 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess at 8:22 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

TO FRONT AND PRINCESS.

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Durham 1:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.

Lynchburg 2:30 p.m. 2:13 a.m.

Cincinnati 7:30 a.m. 7:20 p.m.

Columbus 6:45 a.m. 7:41 p.m.

Chicago 5:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m.

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Ar. St. Louis 5:51 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:17 p.m.

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RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts \$4,071,642.48

U. S. Bonds (at par) 551,000.00

Bank Building 551,000.00

N. C. State and other 25,000.00

Bonds 170,420.50

Cash and Due by Banks 1,408,349.42

\$6,226,412.40

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock 550,000.00

Surplus and Net Profit 351,423.93

Circulation 550,000.00

U. S. Bond Account 100,000.00

Deposits 4,674,988.47

\$6,226,412.40

DEPOSITS.

November 16th, 1907 \$2,125,502.71

November 16th, 1908 \$3,075,047.52

November 16th, 1909 \$4,674,988.47

H. C. McQUEEN, President.

J. V. GRANGER, Vice President.

J. W. YATES, Vice President.

C. S. GRANGER, Cashier.

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Correct to November 14, 1909.

NOTICE.

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NORTHBOUND.

No. 48.	No. 42.
Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wilmington 8:45 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro 12:00 pm	9:55 pm
Ar. Wilson 1:00 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount 1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon 4:55 pm	2:09 am
Ar. Norfolk 5:50 pm	*8:35 am
Ar. Petersburg 7:05 pm	4:05 am
Ar. Richmond 8:00 pm	4:40 am
Ar. Washington 11:50 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Baltimore 1:15 am	9:20 am
Ar. W. Phila. 3:45 am	11:44 pm
Ar. New York 6:30 am	2:00 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 45.
	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. New York . . .	3:25 pm	9:25 pm
Lv. W. Phila. . . .	5:44 pm	12:19 am
Lv. Baltimore . . .	8:20 pm	2:46 am
Lv. Washington . .	10:00 pm	3:20 am
Lv. Norfolk	3:20 pm	8:25 am
Lv. Richmond . . .	1:20 am	8:15 am
Lv. Petersburg . . .	1:55 am	9:13 am
Lv. Weldon	3:40 am	11:35 am
Lv. Rocky Mount . .	5:00 am	12:50 pm
Lv. Wilson	5:36 am	2:09 pm
Lv. Goldsboro . . .	6:35 am	3:05 pm
Ar. Wilmington . . .	9:30 am	6:10 pm

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ANOTHER SIDE OF JUDICIAL REFORM.

It is a poor question indeed that does not hold the proverbial "two sides". Take the matter of the courts. With reason there is wide complaint on the score of technicalities on appeal which, regardless of the merits of the case disclosed by the record, frequently enable powerful suitors or rich criminals to interminably delay, or even defeat, justice. In the criminal code of this State, for instance, the effort to safeguard the individual indicted for crime has, through the obsolete jury system, and through the retention in the law of certain technical grounds of reversible error, resulted in many instances of gross miscarriages of justice. In the civil branch of the Federal courts, the opportunities for a litigant of large means to hinder, delay and "fight to a finish" a weak antagonist have become proverbial, so much so that in cases where the Federal court jurisdiction applies, suits for damages are habitually laid at \$1,999.99, in order to avert the necessity of trial, after removal, in the Federal court. To say that the reason of this is that the Federal courts are, in nature, favorable to the strong and antagonistic to the weak is an easy but false explanation. The truth is that the costs, the expensive and complicated formalities, are such as to keep any but powerful and wealthy litigants out of a tribunal that ought certainly to be of and for all the people.

Reflection along these lines is suggested by an artless and naive expression of a reporter for the Charlotte Chronicle, writing of the conviction in the criminal branch of the Federal court of a prominent doctor of Ruthford county, indicted on the charge of illicit distilling. In such a case even a sentence of fifteen months' imprisonment is incidental in the point of view of the defendant. Honored for years by his people, doing the hard, unremunerative but most noble work of a country practitioner, this man suddenly finds himself herded in a court room along with "tigers", "boot-leggers", and "moonshiners", with witnesses arrayed against him, with all the complex machinery of the government ready to insure his conviction. The mere verdict would have ruined his life, not taking into consideration the punishment. Yet, despite a plausible defense, possibly with an intimation from the bench to the jury against him, he was convicted, and the Chronicle man, caring nothing about the ethics of the question but writing facts as he saw them, says with the directness of brutal truth:

"He is a man of good appearance, and it is difficult to realize the unpromising future that awaits him, his only chance being an appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals."

Now, naturally, a poor country doctor cannot go about appealing to the Circuit Court of Appeals. Every step would take him deeper and deeper into the muck of costs, all of which he would eventually have to pay. Every step would involve the expenditure of fees, which he doubtless has no ability to pay. Any lawyer who would touch such a case would have to have a retainer which would at once bankrupt his client. As a result, there is no appeal open to this man, who may be the subject of prejudice, who may be the subject of persecution at the hands of revenue officers, who may not have had a fair trial, who may not have had a fair jury. In addition, even if he should get to the Circuit Court of Appeals, the whole matter would practically hinge upon whether or not, in a case involving no question of jurisdiction or constitutional law, the evidence was sufficient to justify the verdict of the jury, taking such evidence at its face value, when segregated from the surrounding circumstances and entirely uncolored either of itself or by those lights and differing points of view that always go largely toward making the picture of a criminal trial.

Watch the records of a State and a Federal Criminal court, and you will see in the one case numerous appeals; in the other, few if any. In the latter instance it is quicker, cheaper and more satisfactory in every respect for the average man who is convicted to take his medicine, guilty or innocent, than to wage an expensive and almost certainly futile fight. May God pity

the man convicted by a Federal court, for nobody else does, or will. Yet, with a special constabulary, whose jobs are dependent upon convictions for their permanency, it cannot be doubted that the chances of convictions of innocent men are at least as great, if not greater, in Federal than in State courts.

The American Bar Association is on record as favoring judicial reform, looking to speedier and less technical decisions in civil cases; President Taft echoes this demand in his public utterances and his messages to Congress. Will no one speak a word for a speedy, cheap and thorough review of appeals from the District Federal courts by men too friendly and poor to now do anything except yield to the chances of a fate with which they are forced to gamble, with the odds ever against them?

THE "UNIVERSITY" VICE.

It is wonderful, the fascination that lies in long breeches. It is remarkable, not to say humiliating, the pride that the race takes in a uniform. There is a sadness, as well as a humor, about the strut that goes with a title and the obscurity that follows upon its even unwarranted assumption. Put a boy in the equivalent of what was the former pride of red-topped boots, and he is the same boy only in his failings; otherwise, he is twice a man. There is a power in a name—even when it is appropriated.

The word "University", in the original designation of the institutions to which it is now applied, meant an educational corporation devoted to the sciences, to the higher branches of education and having, as an incident of its charter powers, the right of conferring degrees in the higher branches of the arts and professions. It is an extension of this incident that has flooded the land with "Doctors", till the stranger with a "misery in his midst" is as apt to call upon a graduate in cow-feed as upon a physician. But, even now, in the sober sense of the word the "University" holds to its original elements of meaning, and by custom implies something more and greater, to-wit: An institution where any and all seeking knowledge, whatever it be, may be received, accommodated and equipped. In the modern meaning of the word, there are, for instance, not above half a dozen "Universities" in this country, notwithstanding the masquerade of numerous State and religious educational institutions under that high sounding designation. That, with the few exceptions referred to, the United States contain no less than two hundred "Universities", ranging from small colleges to schools where degrees are sold on Mondays at bargain rates, is merely another indication of the crass spirit of imitation combined with irreverent iconoclasm that tends to keep this young and healthy nation a joke in the eyes of a world that can laugh at our idiosyncrasies, even if it cannot withstand our wealth and power.

In North Carolina, we had thought that we were getting over the "University" craze. With much manifoldness, Davidson, Wake Forest (even with John D. behind it), Trinity (despite the patronage of the erudite Dukes) have all clung to the simple and non-pretentious designation of "College". It is true that when the Baptists came to start a school at Raleigh they named it first the "Baptist Female University", then appreciated the fact that there was no universal female, even if an eternal feminine, and switched to "Baptist University for Women", and at length found sense with success and came down to "Meredith College." At Greensboro, we had no "Normal University", which would have been abnormal under the leadership of a man like McIver, and, barring a hesitation at the proper name, the State institution for men at Raleigh bore the title "College" instead of getting ready to confer L. L. D. degrees on successful raisers of cotton and pork. In fact, when President of the "A. & M.", Dr. George Winston put the matter nicely when, issuing invitations to a debate at the institution of which he was president, he put in the Raleigh papers the legend that the students of the Baptist Female, and all other Universities in the city were cordially requested to attend.

It would have been thought that after this the "A. & M." would have learned the virtue of modesty, but it appears not. On a post card, we see on the reverse side a picture of the Agricultural building at the "A. & M.", underneath which is written "Agricultural Building, Agricultural and Mechanic Arts University, Raleigh, N. C." This is as foolish in the face of the facts as it is in the light of a true sentiment, for the Legislature of 1907 definitely designated this State institution as "The North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

When, after much excitement of our hopes, the football eleven of the "Agricultural and Mechanic Arts University" were used as lawn-mowers by the husky crowd from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, we were not only hurt in our pride but mixed in our understanding. We had thought that when it came to farmers, the Tar Heels would hold their own against the world. Now that we are wise to

this "University" idea, a mystery is cleared up and we feel better. When it comes to stumps, or football, give us every time a digger instead of a Doctor.

As a matter of fact, the State University is more honored in the name than the performance. It is "coming along", but it has not yet arrived, by many "schools", by much equipment, by thousands upon thousands of necessary endowment. Not so very long ago it was scarcely better than a first-class academy. It is now a very high grade of college. Its name, however, is written in the Constitution and must endure. The central idea is that it shall be a University, and we welcome the time when the wealth of the State shall make the central aim an abiding fact. Already it is nearer to the high ambition set for it by the framers of the Constitution than similar institutions in richer Southern States. By age and performance, both, it has earned its title. But, where the State sets out to make a college, it ought not to be hampered in the accomplishment of its purpose by a striving to wear a coat some seven sizes too big.

SHEMWELL'S REPRIEVE.

Governor Kitchin has, in the Shemwell matter, played the part of a wise man and arrived at a compromise between the suggested change of sentence to jail to a fine and the alternative of sentencing a sick man to a confinement represented to be a menace to his life. Had he yielded to the insistence of Shemwell's attorneys and permitted him to pay out of large means a comparatively small fine, there would have been given to the State another of the too frequent examples of the truth that in some measure there is one brand of justice for the rich and another for the poor. He would have, to the extent of the influence of such example, encouraged and afforded a pretext for law violation and refusal of legal restraint. A reprieve, however, gives the prisoner ample mercy and at the same time preserves the integrity of the State. In the statement of the reasons for taking this action, Governor Kitchin says:

"The prisoner is at Hot Springs, Ark., for treatment for rheumatism, to which place he has been compelled to go frequently in the last few years. I am informed his trouble is worse in winter months than in warm weather. I therefore reprieve the prisoner until April 1st, 1910, on which date the execution of the sentence of the court will begin. The prisoner will give proper bond (\$2,000) with surety, for performance of sentence beginning on said date."

Without reflection either upon Governor Kitchin's caution or the honesty of Shemwell's attorneys, we are sure that we voice a general suspicion when we doubt the serious condition of this prisoner. Hot Springs is a fashionable and pleasant resort-cure for those who have the means to indulge it. Presence there for the benefit of the baths does not imply of itself a serious affliction. Shemwell, it seems, has been in the habit of going there annually. The probabilities are that he preferred not to let a little thing like a jail sentence interfere with his usual course of treatment. Governor Kitchin, however, was necessarily guided by the affidavits presented to him. He had to take them at their face value. A poor man, who instead of going to Hot Springs had been in the habit of going to a drug store and regularly giving up his dollar for a "certain cure" for rheumatism would in similar case have had to go to jail, all the same. But that is one of the disadvantages—we might almost say, one of the errors—of being poor. It is, however, not without its satisfaction to contemplate that, whereas Guilford jail is doubtless at this time pleasantly warm, it will be more than that during Shemwell's term, and fly-time to boot.

We admire Mr. Shemwell's ingenuity in putting off the evil day, but cannot say that we think his discretion in the choice of a time to serve his sentence is of the blue ribbon variety.

AN UNFORTUNATE CITATION.

We are surprised at the Charlotte Chronicle taking the following illustration as strengthening its opposition to a Central Bank:

"Secretary Shaw said in his Indianapolis speech that if we have a central bank it will be the City National Bank of New York and that the Standard Oil will control it. This talk seems plain enough."

When it is recalled that Secretary Shaw, on the verge of octogenarianism, has recently taken to Theosophy and is himself controlled by a red-headed wife, who was but recently a fox-hunting widow, it will be seen that what he has to say on finance may be as mixed as his views on religion, matrimony and—if he lives long enough—alimony.

For a confirmed rheumatic Baxter Shemwell has certainly contrived to maintain his activity.

After all, "All Fool's Day" will not be so bad a time for Baxter Shemwell to begin his sentence.

"The penitentiary has had a successful year," chime many exchanges. Sad but true it is that the State farms alone are never concerned about a dearth of labor.

Then, too, we suppose that in enlightened Guilford, Shemwell can get a hot bath in jail.

Virginia seems to have been able to purchase enough electricity to kill a condemned negro. In North Carolina electrocutions seem to be confined to linemen.

To hear the Reverend Archibald Johnson tell it, a smoke-house makes a "palace," and a hen-roost is the open sesame to "high society." Perhaps the Rev. Arch. was thinking of the A. M. E. instead of the M. E. Church, South.

For a sane community Greensboro is sometimes most unreasonable. Lately it was attempted to convict a doctor for writing a prescription for himself. If one is not to be permitted to write a prescription, why be a doctor?

"Merry Christmas is near at hand," trills the Greenville Reflector, and adds: "The little girl with her doll, the small boy with horn and cap pistol seem to be enjoying the approach of the happy event." True, true! But as a sequence to the cap pistol all too often follow the candelabra tombstone and the diminutive tombstone.

The Lutheran Seminary, having gone to Columbia, the Charlotte News, reflecting on the virtue of a people who put off the reading of Sunday's paper till Monday morning, piously says: "The question seemed to have slumbered down to deciding upon which municipality really had greatest need of a theological seminary and Columbia scored."

"We are no longer in darkness," The Rev. R. L. Gray of the Morning Star is shedding a great deal of light on our pathway. We will try to do better, Bob."

From a purveyor of the "reverend stuff" we accept the title and bestow it hereafter on the Rev. Arch., who preaches where he listeth, so far as we have discovered neither in that spirit of "reverence" nor "respect mingled with fear and affection" of the Reverend, Right Reverend, or otherwise backs whereto he lays his flail. We wish we could think that the Rev. Arch's protestation of reform was something more than the idle form of a "canned" confession and repentance.

Hot-Headed Brethren.

Charity and Children.

Quite a good deal has been said in the papers about the defeat of the constitutional amendment in Alabama providing for prohibition in the organic law of the State. Alabama already has prohibition. The people voted liquor out some time ago, but the radical element, not satisfied with that, demanded that the constitution be amended so that the law would become a fixture. This is not all. Section second of the proposed amendment reads as follows: "Nothing in the Constitution of Alabama shall be construed to prevent the legislature from the police power from designating places where such liquors may not be stored and kept." In other words, under the constitution as amended police officers would be given the right to enter private homes and search for liquor at their pleas ure, and the people of Alabama are not quite ready yet to surrender the sacredness of their homes to officers of the law at their own sweet will. Gov. Comer, it is charged, attempted to promote his political fortunes through the prohibition issue, and the people suspected his insincerity and expressed their disapproval at the polls. It is a fortunate thing that the extremists were defeated, for if they had succeeded the State's interests would have been endangered. No prohibitionist who foams at the mouth is fit to occupy a position of trust and responsibility. He may be honest enough but he hasn't sense enough. We hope the rebuke that Alabama has administered to the radical element will have a good effect all over the country. The people are in favor of prohibition but they are not willing to turn the government over into the hands of the rabid, fire-eating fools who speak before they think. If they ever think at all. As we have often said before, in the ranks of temperance men there are more extremists, perhaps, than anywhere else in the world, and it is the constant duty of the leaders of the moral forces to see to it that only the sober, the temperate and the judicious are put in positions of trust and responsibility.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The appointment of Judge Lorton of Tennessee to the United States Supreme Court makes him a conservative safe from the night riders.—Columbia State.

Many railroad men say wrecks come in sequence of three. There have been three in North Carolina this week—one of them the most disastrous in a long time. Let us hope that the railroad men are correct in the present instance and that for a long time to come there will be no more serious accidents anywhere near.—Charlotte Observer.

Here's across the bloody chasm to the cock-sure Charlotte News. With Dr. Cook in a sanitarium, its dear old foot-shoe lost to right, turkeys scarce and liquor and eggs too steep for it to afford an egg-nog Christmas, comes the word that Charlotte was all but eliminated as a factor in determining the location of the Lutheran Seminary. Verily, verily hath Editor Patton stubbed his toe muchly and greatly to the spirit's vexation.—Salsbury Post.

We tip our hat to Jonesboro township, the first township in Lee to make a move for good roads. A first-class modern road running through Jonesboro township will be an example of progress to the balance of the county, and just as soon as good roads are built in this township the other six townships will no doubt follow suit.



CHRISTMAS SALE

Every Nook and Corner of the Store Reflects the Gladsome Holiday Spirit. At every turn, on every counter, in every aisle you will be confronted with merchandise that says unmistakably "Merry Xmas". Christmas Candles that'll make the children say "goody" and suck their little thumbs. Toys and dolls that will send a thrill of joy through childish bodies, Christmas fireworks that will afford an unending source of delight to the youngsters as well as yourselves.

But we aren't content to let our display of Christmas gifts confine itself to the "younger set". We're ready with an assortment that will satisfy "Children of All Ages".

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Fancy Cup and Saucer, 10c to 50c each.

Fancy Water sets 98c each.

Fancy China chocolate sets, \$3.50.

Fine Fur and Muff Sets, \$12.50 to \$45. Single Furs, \$1.50 to \$25.00.

Fancy Ribbons in fancy Christmas boxes, 50c and 69c the box. Fancy Christmas Ribbon, 5c to 25c the yard.

Fancy goods, China Glass, Ware and Lamps, Cut Glass, fancy gold Clocks, Shaving Sets and Smoking Sets.

Don't forget our down town store, Market St., under Bonitz Hotel. Fire Works and Toys.

This is the place to buy fine candy, fresh.

J. H. Rehder & Co.
THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE
THE FIRM THAT PAYS YOUR CAR FARE.

Nothing better to give for Xmas than a Kirschbaum suit or Overcoat.

not all at once, perhaps, but certainly all within the next few years. Let Jonesboro township vote solidly for bonds on the 23th.—Sanford Express.

When the Chronicle, a few days ago, sized up the character of the gentlemen engaged in the business of producing affidavits against Dr. Cook, it made no mistake. A precious set of rascals, indeed. The particular one by the name of Loose, has confessed that he and a fellow named Dunkle, conceived the idea of making the affidavits so as to secure money by the sale of the fake documents; that they did sell them and that Dunkle got the money and would not divide. But the intelligent public had not been deceived by the "documents", and if the truth were known, the New York newspaper that bought the affidavits must have felt that it was buying crooked goods.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Representative Heflin, of Alabama, the hero of a street car scene, some months ago, has again introduced his bill, making it mandatory for the street car companies of the District of Columbia to provide "Jim Crow" or separate street cars for whites and negroes. His bill provides a fine of \$100 for permitting whites and negroes on the same cars. Anybody who knows anything about Washington at all knows that many of its teeming negro population are purposely and unnecessarily insolent and are inviting repressive legislation. That legislation is bound to come some day, but it were better that it be fathered by some one other than a Southern man, especially one of Mr. Heflin's characteristics. The probabilities are that he will fail, while another might easily succeed. The same powers that disfranchised the negro in Washington, may be depended upon to take further measures for self-protection in the course of time.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Our cotton manufacturers are more concerned than they may realize in the attitude of this government which has called forth vigorous protest from Central Americans in Mexico. After commending the qualifications and aptness exhibited by our ambassador to Brazil and our minister to Argentina, Collier's Weekly comments: "Our sales in the Orient have been increased by less than \$40,000,000 during the last ten years, while our sales in Latin America have been increased by more than \$120,000,000. There is encouragement in such examples at a moment when the State Department, as directed by the Hon. Philander C. Knox, seems to be leaving untended no stone that will assist in extinguishing the flame of Pan-Americanism and increasing the distrust which our Latin-American neighbors feel for the United States."—Columbia State.

That a man's duty is first to impress his will is well illustrated at the wreck yesterday morning. Conductor Coble, who has been on the road for twenty years or more, realized this duty the moment he came up out of the water, for he made tracks towards Brown Summit following his train. Soaking wet, he started back, but realized that he had no light and retracing his steps he crossed the trestle, went to the engine, got a torch, told the engineer to go to Rudd and report the accident as quickly as he could; then he made in the direction of Brown Summit, waving his torch, his shoes full of water and almost freezing as he ran, wounded and bleeding, but he did not realize his injuries, so bent was he on doing his duty. His back was badly hurt, besides innumerable flesh wounds. He was not brought to Greensboro under advice of a physician, but was last night sent to his home in Richmond. Captain Coble is a native of this place and resided with his family on Church street until a few years ago, when the changing of his regular run made it necessary to move to Richmond.—Greensboro Record.

GOLD MONEY.
The People's Savings Bank has just received direct from "Uncle Sam" a large supply of Gold Coins, which they will be glad to furnish to any of their friends for use at Christmas. de 17-3t.

"CHRISTMAS comes but once a year," says the old rhyme; but our good clothes are always here. You may need to provide yourself with some new things to wear for the season of festivity. You may need dress clothes—evening, dinner, Prince Albert; or an overcoat for dress or daily use,

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make the finest clothes in the world, and we sell them. They're fine in every way, style, all-wool fabrics, tailoring, fit. We'll put you in right.

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APPOINTMENT OF COLLECTOR

Mr. S. M. King, Who Recently Returned to City, Enters Race, Ostensibly With Endorsement of Duncan—Other Notes.

That Collector of Customs B. F. Keith is going to have a fight for re-appointment when his commission expires in May seems now out of the range of probability and a practical certainty. Many of his friends were of the opinion that after his magnificent work in securing the new Custom House for the port and his service in other public capacities, that he would at least be given an opportunity of enjoying another term unmolested, but now comes word from Washington through Mr. Thos. J. Pence, correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer, that Mr. S. M. King, who was at one time identified with the river steamboat interests here and who returned to the city a few months ago from Georgia, is a candidate for the place and that he is backed by the endorsement of National Committeeman Duncan. It is also stated that there will be other candidates but that Mr. King is the most formidable.

Mr. Keith's appointment was made in February but his commission was not issued until May. He has served two terms as collector and now applies for a reappointment with an endorsement of what is practically nine-tenths of the business community, according to those who have followed the situation.

Mr. King is understood to have formerly been an employee of Mr. Duncan when he was collector of internal revenue and his friends are expecting this prestige to go a long way towards landing him. It is stated that a petition for him was recently circulated by Mr. W. J. Meredith, but that this branch of the groundwork for appointment was neglected too long. Mr. Keith having already pretty well covered the field so far as local endorsement is concerned. The fight which Mr. Keith has on his hands will be watched with interest in Wilmington where he has proved a most useful citizen.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

First Church of Christ Scientist, church edifice Market and 17th streets. Services at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Subject of lesson sermon, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" All are invited. St. Thomas' Church: First mass 7 A. M. Last mass, sermon, 10:30 A. M. Vespers 7:45 P. M.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner of Sixth and Market streets. Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor. Third Sunday in Advent. German service 11 A. M. English Vesper service at 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8 P. M. A cordial invitation to all. Seats free.

First Baptist Church: Fifth and Market streets. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor. Preaching 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8 P. M. B. Y. P. U. Friday 8 P. M. Grace M. E. Church, Rev. T. A. Smoot, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School 3:30 P. M. The public cordially invited to all services.

Regular Sunday school will be held at 3 P. M. M. E. Church, Villa View, Wrightsville Sound. All strangers and friends cordially invited to attend. Rev. Mr. Welch will preach at the school at 3:30 P. M. St. Matthews' English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street. Sunday school, 11 A. M. Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. conducted by the Rev. John Aberly, D. D., returned missionary from India. It will be a treat to hear Mr. Aberly.

Sunday services at St. John's church, Third and Red Cross streets. Rev. W. E. Cox, rector. Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M. Service and sermon at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer at 5 P. M. All are cordially invited.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Market streets. Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor. Fourth Sunday in Advent. English service, 11 A. M. English Vesper service, 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8 P. M. English service on Christmas Day, 11 A. M. A cordial invitation to all. Seats free.

Night services at St. John's church are called to the Sunday night service at St. James' church, begun within the last two months. The attendance there has been gradually growing, especially on the part of men and those who are not members of the regular congregation. The service is very simple, and is put in the hands of every one in the shape of an attractive leaflet compiled by the late Dr. Huntington, of Grace Church, New York, where it has been in use for a number of years, apparently with great pleasure and profit to the large number of persons of all communions who attend these services. They are highly recommended by the church of every one, whether they are familiar with the Episcopal service or not. The hymns are old and familiar, of the sort that every one knows and loves, and the service is followed by a sermon addressed to the practical needs of the present. One of the attractive features of the night services is the organ prelude by Prof. Johnson. From now on the prelude will begin at 7:30, lasting half an hour, instead of fifteen minutes as heretofore. The selections for tonight will be "Fantasia alla Souaia" by Fumagalli, "Berceuse" by Lemaire, and "March" from Aida by Verdi. The subject of the sermon tonight will be "The Philosophy of Doubt," as illustrated in the denial by St. Thomas of our Lord's resurrection. The seats are all free at these night services, and the Brotherhood of St. James is well represented at the doors of the church to welcome visitors and strangers.

Basketball at Y. M. C. A.

The two games of basketball at the Y. M. C. A. last night between the Emeralds and Pirates and the White Sox and Cardinals were the most interesting of the season. In the first it was five minutes after the ball was put in play before a point was scored and that on a foul. Another foul on the opposite side soon tied the score and from that time on it was take and give until the end of the first half showed a score of 11 to 11. The game ended in a score of 27 to 26 in favor of the Pirates. The second game was a duplicate of the first. At the end of the first half the score was 6 to 7 in favor of the White Sox and after tying the score many times the game finished 20 to 16 in favor of the Cardinals.

At the Bijou Today.

The management of the Bijou offers an attractive bill for tomorrow. "The Mixed Letters" and "Chinese Amusements" are the titles of the pictures that will be shown. The former is one of the cleverest farces ever produced. The second is a very interesting picture showing how the children of the Celestial Empire amuse themselves and their companions.

A Christmas Suggestion.

Let us suggest that you open an account with the People's Savings Bank, and present it to Wife, Child or Friend as a Christmas Present. One Dollar is sufficient to open the Account, and it will certainly make an acceptable Gift.

Buy your Christmas shoes and slippers at Peterson & Ruffs.

See Rehder's downtown store, Market street, Bonitz hotel, for fireworks and toys.

BASEBALL CHRISTMAS DAY

Professional and Local Players Will Contest With Strong Fort Caswell Aggregation—For the Novelty of the Sport.

Unless the weather is very unpropitious, the Wilmington fans will have the rare pleasure of witnessing a real baseball game at League Park Christmas Day. The lovers of the sport in this section, and there are thousands are hoping that the weather man will be very considerate and give such a day as last Christmas was. If the weather is favorable it is believed that there will be hundreds to witness the contest.

The game will be between a selected Wilmington team and the strong Fort Caswell aggregation. On the Philadelphia American League, a member of the Sailors' pennant winning team of 1908, who is here to spend Christmas; Doak, formerly of the Sallor crew, but now of the Goldsboro Club, who is also here for the holidays; Bert Kite, the player-manager of the Wilmington team for the coming season; Bussey, of the 1908 team, who will pitch; Joe Fox, who was with the Sailors the early part of last season and after leaving here played star ball with the Smithfield, Va. team, who will be seen on the first base, and probably Sexton, now at A. & M. College, Raleigh; while the rest of the team will be made up of strong amateur players, probably local boys who have been playing on college teams. Fort Caswell has one of the best amateur teams in the State and the contest promises to be a great one.

Field day exercises will be held just before the game, starting at 10:45 A. M. and will consist of long distance throwing, fungle hitting, fastest to first base, fastest circling the bases and accurate throwing. A prize will be given the winner in each contest. It was decided to call the game at 11 o'clock so as to give all a chance to see the contest and return to the city in time for Christmas dinner. A general admission of 25 cents will be charged.

Asked last night what was the object of the game at this season of the year one of the players said: "Just for the novelty of the thing, that's all. We want to see how Winter baseball will go in this section."

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Case Against Otto Deahle for Passing Worthless Check Continued.

In the Recorder's court yesterday the case against Otto Deahle, charged with passing a worthless check for \$5, drawn on the American National Bank, was continued until Tuesday. The request of L. Clayton Grant, Esq., counsel for defendant, Justice Bornemann also has a case against Deahle, the warrant charging him with obtaining goods from W. G. Baldwin, at Castle Haynes, under false pretense. Justice Bornemann stated yesterday afternoon that he sent to the jail for the defendant at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon to give him a hearing on the charge, but the jailer refused to deliver the prisoner on the ground that he had been committed to prison by the Recorder. "I gladly give in," said the Justice.

J. John Moore, an aged white man, was before the Recorder on the charge of drunkenness. He was arrested Friday night on a porch on Grace, near Front street. The old man said he lived in Spartanburg, S. C., and was making his way to the union station when he was overcome by the intoxicants. He said he wanted to spend Christmas with his wife and children. The Recorder showed mercy upon this poor fellow and suspended judgment. Mack Howard and Brutus Swinson, scavengers, charged with violating the sanitary ordinance by going to work Friday night before the time prescribed were required to pay costs.

A SWELL HOLIDAY BILL.

Crystal Palace Will Make Big Offering This Week.

The Crystal Palace will make a delightful holiday offering the present week, commencing with matinee tomorrow afternoon, and will also assume a merry Christmas garb, as decorators tomorrow are to try their hands at making the Palace a pretty spectacle for the Yuletide. The offering this week is to be a large one and has been selected especially to measure up to the festive spirit of the times. It will be rich for comedy and the management claims that there will not be a dull moment from the time the curtain ascends until it falls.

MRS. SHELTON MITCHELL DEAD.

Passed Away at Home of Her Mother Yesterday Morning—Funeral.

Many friends learned with deep regret of the death of Mrs. Sheldon Mitchell early yesterday morning at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jasper Mitchell, 712 Dock street, after an illness of some time. Mrs. Mitchell was about 30 years old and is survived by her mother and one small child. The tenderest sympathy of a great many friends goes out to the bereaved ones. The funeral will be held from the late residence at 9 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, and Rev. T. A. Smoot, pastor of Grace Methodist church.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The class of the Bible Study Class of the Y. M. C. A. for the present year, will be held Monday evening at 7:10 o'clock. All members are urged to be present. The Literary Society will hold its regular meeting Monday evening, immediately following the Bible Study Class. The query, "Resolved, That the United States acted wisely in sending gun boats to Nicaragua for the protection of American life and property," will be debated.

See Rehder's downtown store, Market street, Bonitz hotel, for fireworks and toys.

WANTED ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Young Man Passed Worthless Checks in Jacksonville and Richlands and Eloped With Pretty Girl—Not Yet Located.

It was learned here yesterday morning that Arthur Fisher, an 18-year-old son of Mr. John Fisher, of Onslow county, is badly wanted in Whiteville, Jacksonville and Richlands for passing worthless checks, aggregating, it is said, nearly \$1,000, and that a thorough search is being made for him.

Fisher and a pretty girl of his own age, passed through Wilmington Friday, arriving on the noon train from Verona and leaving in the afternoon on the Coast Line train for the South. Their baggage, three trunks, has been located at Chadbourne and it is believed that both the boy and girl are in that vicinity. According to information received here Fisher is charged with passing a worthless check on the People's Bank, of Richlands, and another on the Bank of Jacksonville Thursday, the two aggregating over \$400. The one cashed by the Richlands bank was on the Bank of Jacksonville, and the one cashed at Jacksonville was on the People's Bank, Richlands.

The worthlessness of the checks was not discovered until Friday night. The officials of the Jacksonville bank learned that Fisher and a young lady of his own age boarded the Wilmington train at Verona Friday morning and at 10 o'clock that night they communicated with a local attorney, to whom the facts in the case were given. The attorney went to the union station upon the arrival of the midnight trains and learned from the baggage agent that the boy and girl had three trunks checked to Chadbourne on the afternoon train. The couple had two trunks when they left Verona.

The attorney communicated with Chadbourne yesterday morning early and located the baggage in the station there. Up to 11 o'clock last night the boy and girl had not been located, according to the information received here, but it is believed that they are in that section with relatives. Sheriff E. W. Summerell, of Onslow, was in Wilmington at the time, leaving for home yesterday.

It was stated yesterday afternoon that Fisher caught the Whiteville Bank for \$500 about a month ago and the officials of that institution are also after him, a Columbus deputy sheriff being in the searching party around Chadbourne. It is said that a check was cashed for Fisher for \$500, he being identified by a well known Whiteville citizen. As in the other cases he had no money in the bank on which the check was drawn.

Young Fisher has been living in Georgia for several years and returned to the section of his nativity only a few weeks ago. The identity of the young lady said to be with him was not made known to the Wilmington attorney interested in the case.

REMEMBERED IN UTICA.

An Echo of Recent Reunion of the Blue and Gray.

The Utica Daily Press of Tuesday has the following of local interest to his many friends in this city:

"Many Uticans have kindly recollections of H. C. McQueen, of Wilmington, N. C., who was here at the time of the Blue and Gray reunion and no other man in the party made more friends. He is the president of the Merchants National Bank and also of the People's Savings Bank in his home city. The Carolina Fruit and Truckers' Journal, published at Wilmington, last month, gives an account of that city's welcome to President Taft on the occasion of his visit there in November. On the first page are portraits of the executive committee which had in charge the reception and celebration in Taft's honor, November 9, and in the center, the largest picture of them all, denoting the chairmanship, is a very excellent portrait of Mr. McQueen.

THE TEMPLE PHARMACY.

Re-Opened for Business Yesterday Afternoon—Many Sales.

The Temple Pharmacy, mention of the closing of which was made in yesterday morning's paper, re-opened for business yesterday afternoon. The hundreds and hundreds of friends of Mr. Walter R. Kingsbury were glad to see the doors opened again and to see him in his accustomed place. Substantial evidence of this was in abundance. Friends crowded around the store in great numbers and the sales for the afternoon and night were encouraging. It was learned last night that it is Mr. Kingsbury's purpose to continue the business at the "same old stand," as the stereotyped phrase has it.

Larceny of Pair of Trousers.

Josh Cocklin, colored, was given a hearing before Justice Bornemann late yesterday afternoon on the charge of stealing a pair of trousers from Jessie Brown, colored, who is employed at the pressing club of Mr. E. C. Register. The lad had been sent out to make deliveries of some clothing. He had a suit of clothes to be delivered at a house near corner of Second and Chestnut streets. He left his bicycle and a pair of trousers on the side of the street. When he returned the trousers had disappeared. The youth reported the matter to Deputy Sheriff A. T. Piver, who noticed in one of Cocklin's coat pockets something that appeared to be a pair of trousers. He told the youth to follow the elder negro. Shortly the youth returned with the trousers, stating that Cocklin had given them back to him. In default of \$200 bond the negro went to jail.

A Christmas Suggestion.

Let us suggest that you open an account with the People's Savings Bank, and present it to Wife, Child or Friend as a Christmas Present. One Dollar is sufficient to open the Account, and it will certainly make an acceptable Gift.

Buy your Christmas shoes and slippers at Peterson & Ruffs.

REACH HIS HEART via his stomach by using Sauer's Flavoring Extracts. They represent the highest perfection ever attained in cuisine chemistry. Ask for Sauer's

WIRELESS ON THE LIGHTSHIP

Most Gratifying Letter to Chairman of Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage From Mr. Overman.

Readers of the Star and in particular those of the commercial community will regard with much satisfaction the following letter addressed to the chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage by North Carolina's most efficient Senator Overman, in answer to the appeal of the board for a wireless system of telegraphy between the far away Frying Pan Shoals lightship and Southport:

United States Senate, Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1909.

My dear Mr. Sprunt:—As requested in your letter of recent date, I called at the Navy Department today in regard to the movement for the establishment of wireless service between Frying Pan Shoal Light Ship and Southport. The Department promised to install wireless service on the lightship at the earliest date practicable, but suggested that it might be several months before the service could be established. In the meantime I suggest that you have the Board of Navigation renew their application to the Secretary of the Navy for the establishment of the service. It is very important that you recite in the application the number of lives and the value of the property lost which might have been saved by the use of wireless service. If you will forward the application to me I will be glad to file it with the Navy Department, and to do what I can to expedite the installation of the service.

I am informed by the Naval Secretary that the wireless service will be installed on the lightship and at Southport at the earliest date practicable, although it may be several months before the service is established.

I return herewith the correspondence which has heretofore passed between us relative to this matter.

With high regards, I am, Sir, Very truly yours,

LEE S. OVERMAN.

Senator Overman, with his characteristic zeal for the welfare of the port of Wilmington and for its commercial interests, and also in behalf of those who go down to the sea in ships, has acted in this matter promptly and effectively. It appears from his letter that he has already the assurance of the Navy Department that the wireless service will be installed on the lightship and at Southport at the earliest date practicable, although it may be several months before the service is established.

The Board of Commissioners will at once comply with Senator Overman's suggestion to give to the Honorable the Secretary of the Navy, important facts bearing upon their petition.

Commissioner Guthrie has brought this matter up before the board repeatedly and the other members have sustained him in the face of a disappointing refusal from the Navy Department last year.

If the wireless system is established it will be of incalculable benefit to vessels in distress on Frying Pan Shoals and will also enable the revenue cutter Seminole and other means of assistance to proceed to the rescue with the least possible delay.

Passing ships supplied with the wireless system will also obtain valuable information from the lightship, and doubtless convey important news which will be of interest at Southport.

If Senator Overman accomplishes this valuable and humane connection, after his successful appeal for a new lightship, it will be in order for our maritime organizations to acknowledge this service by suitable resolutions. It should also be a matter of satisfaction that the good work of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage goes merrily on.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

Adds Much to Appearance of Fine Stock at Schuster's.

One of the most effective as well as most appropriate decorations for the holidays to be seen in Wilmington is that at the store of Mr. August O. Schuster, successor to Victor E. Zoeller & Co., on North Front street. The decorations, together with the rearrangement of the handsome fixtures make the place most interesting, while his well selected stock of jewelry makes Christmas shopping a pleasure.

Less Than Homestead Exemption. The Masonic Temple Company, in Justice Harris' court yesterday, secured judgment for \$200 against Mr. Walter R. Kingsbury, proprietor of The Temple Pharmacy, which was closed Friday afternoon under execution. The board of appraisers, composed of Messrs. A. Silverman, John H. Hardin and James M. Hall, made an inventory of the stock yesterday and found less than the amount allowed by law as homestead exemption. Constable Savage then turned the business over to Mr. Kingsbury.

"It's the Little Things that Count"

That's why Platt & Haar, realizing how important it is to have a little lace, just at this time, instead of putting this stock away till after Christmas, have fitted up a most convenient lace department, where it will be a pleasure to show the goods. No matter if it is only half a yard you need, the pleasure will be theirs. The Little Store for laces.

Card of Thanks.

J. W. Yarborough and wife wish to express their sincere thanks to the many friends who showered them with so many nice gifts at the anniversary of their Silver Wedding last Monday night.

Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Yarborough.

SORE THROAT

often leads to something worse. Gowen's Preparation gives quick relief for sore throat, hoarseness, croup, colds and pneumonia by destroying inflammation and congestion. Keep it in the home for emergencies. External and penetrating. \$1.00, 50c, 25c. All druggists.

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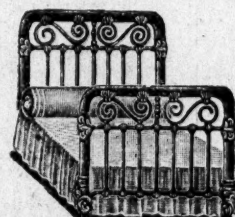
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\$2,000 Christmas Gift!

Beginning Friday Morning, Dec. 17th

and continuing until Friday night, Dec. 24th, we expect to sell \$5,000.00 of furniture, house furnishing goods, Mattings, Rugs, Dinner Sets, Toilet Sets, etc., for \$3,000.00 cash. \$2,000.00 less than the same quality of goods will or can be sold by any other house in North Carolina, giving our customers \$2,000 as a Christmas present. We will prove this to every customer. Come and see for yourself. There is a reason.

We give a few prices below, which prove the statement, the same reduction applies to more than 500 articles of new goods, received within the last 15 days.



25.00 Iron Beds \$1.49
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Matings, more than 60 rolls, this year's importations, every piece received since December 1st, from 9 3-4c up per yard, by the roll only at these prices.

Rugs. We are away ahead with Rugs. More than 200 to select from. Study these prices.



60 Carriages, Go-Carts, Folders, Collapsible, Pullman Sleepers, English Coaches, etc. See them if interested.



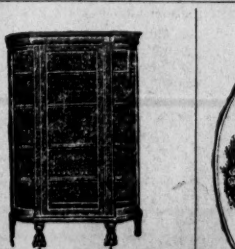
102 Dressers, quartered golden oak, white enamel, birds eye maple, genuine solid mahogany, Commodore Chiffoniers and Ladies' Dressing Tables to match. Example of price: Solid Oak, 24x30 French Bevel Mirror \$6.98



16 Library Tables, all woods, some Royal Crofts make in the lot \$3.98 up



More than 200 Rockers, Golden Oak, Mission, Reed, solid Mahogany. \$2.50 Oak Rockers \$1.69
\$4.00 Oak Rockers \$2.98
\$6.50 Mission Rockers \$4.49
\$7.50 Reed Rockers \$5.19
\$20.00 solid Mahogany, leather seat and back \$11.98



19 China Cabinets, golden quartered oak, mission and genuine solid mahogany, same at \$13.98, bent glass sides and drawers.



21 Dinner Sets in Domestic, English, German and French China, \$7.98 up for 100 pieces.



21 Ladies' Desks, oak, mission, walnut, imitation mahogany, solid mahogany and art, from \$3.98 up. Don't fail to see them.

Pictures, Slideboards, Bed Room Suits, Parlor Suits, Dining Room Suits, Morris Chairs, from \$4.98 up. Hall Racks, Lamps, Wardrobes and hundreds of other articles, all going at a saving. A few Dolls, Doll Carriages, Doll Tea Sets, Etc.

THE WILMINGTON FURNITURE COMPANY

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, etc

Miss Mary Nash arrived yesterday morning from New York to spend the holidays at home.

Miss Mary Crowell and Mr. Earle Crowell are at home from school to spend the holidays here.

Mrs. C. E. Wood and daughter, Miss Ellen B. Wood, are visiting relatives and friends at Bannerman's Bridge, N. C.

Miss Lina DelRosset is expected home this morning from Peabody, Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. J. Edwin Bunting has gone to Fort Gaines, Ga., to spend the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. Z. Burdette Jones.

Mrs. P. H. Hayden and family have moved up from their home at Winter Park Gardens and are residing at 223 South Third street.

Mrs. Edwin M. Wilson, of Haverford, Pa., is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. McL. Green, 406 South Third street.

Miss Edith Pritchard is expected at home today from Roanoke College at Danville, and will spend the holidays with her mother, on Orange street.

There will be an important meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., at the W. L. I. armory Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A large attendance of members is expected.

Miss Julia Owen arrived yesterday from Hollins Institute, in Virginia, and is a guest at the home of Mrs. L. L. Pritchard, on Orange street, for the holidays.

Misses Catherine Vollers, Augusta Gleichen and Lucile Polvogt, students at Elizabeth College, Charlotte, have arrived to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mrs. N. E. Bunting and son, Master William McDuffie Bunting, have gone to their old home at Fayetteville to spend the holidays. Mr. Bunting will join them later.

Miss Mary Kirkpatrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kirkpatrick, of Birmingham, Ala., will arrive on Monday, the 27th instant, and will be the house guest during the holidays of Major and Mrs. Lucas.

Mrs. C. M. Palmer, of Brewton, Ala., is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. O. Page, 516 Grace street. Misses Ruth and Ernestine Bazzers returned yesterday morning from St. Mary's School, in Raleigh, to spend the holidays at home.

Mr. C. B. Newcombe leaves this morning for Dallas, Texas, where he will be married to Miss Hattie Sue Hale, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Fred D. Hale, on the 24th of December. He will return to Wilmington with his bride about the first of January.

There was a large number of members and visitors on the links of the Cape Fear Golf Club yesterday afternoon, though there were no formal matches. From 3 to 6 o'clock tea was served in the new club house. The afternoon was most pleasantly spent by members and visitors alike.

Mrs. W. C. Galloway has returned to make her home in Wilmington coming from Tarboro where Dr. and Mrs. Galloway have been living for the past two years. Dr. Galloway is now in New York attending a series of lectures on the eye, ear, nose and throat and will return in about three months to open an office in this city. Dr. Galloway and Mrs. Galloway need no introduction to Wilmingtonians and friends of both are delighted to have them back again. Mrs. Galloway is living in the Galloway home at 109 North Third street.

Last Friday the largest class of the season was present at Kneisel's Academy of Dancing and all indications point to a most successful german, which will be given to the children on Xmas night. As announced before Mrs. J. V. Grainger, Mrs. C. E. Taylor and Mrs. Allan Nichols will act as chaperones. The favors have just arrived from New York and are very pretty. All members of the class are earnestly requested to be present at the next meeting so as to be prepared for the dances, etc. Mrs. C. R. Yopp (formerly Miss Kate Galloway) has charge of the class and will lead the german, dancing will begin at 9 o'clock and conclude at 11. Spectators are welcome.

The past week has been one of much social interest in Wilmington and numerous card parties have been the order in the Wilmington society. On Wednesday evening Misses Blanche and Theresa Parsley entertained at cards and the same afternoon Miss Isabel Smallbones entertained at an elaborate tea in honor of her guest, Miss Spafford, of Darlington, England, and Miss Bates, of London. Other delightful social affairs on tapis are teas by Mrs. Chas. N. Evans, Miss Olive Quince, Mrs. W. E. Robertson and Miss Etta Brand. These will all be in honor of visiting young ladies who are here for the holidays, guests of the hostesses. During Christmas week, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Grainger will give a large dance in honor of their daughter, Miss Katherine Grainger, one of the season's debutantes.

Capt. Donald MacRae, captain of the Cape Fear Golf team, received a telegram yesterday from Mr. H. L. Smith, president of the Southern Golf Association, to the effect that the team of ten players of the Cape Fear Golf Club, this city, finished in ninth place in a field of 29 Southern clubs. It will be recalled that the president offered a cup to the club of the Southern Golf Association making the best showing in 27 holes against "Bogie" the games being played on Thanksgiving Day or on the Saturday following. The vice president of the association offered a cup to the team making the second best showing. According to the message received here yes-

terday the Audubon Club, New Orleans, wins first prize, and Memphis Country Club, the second. Savannah Golf Club was third; Nashville Country Club, fourth; Chattanooga Country Club, fifth; Charleston Country Club, sixth; Atlanta Athletic Club, seventh; Louisville Golf Club, eighth; Cape Fear Golf Club, ninth; Audubon Country Club, Louisville, tenth. There were 19 other clubs in the contest, including some of the leading clubs of the South. The showing made by the local club is considered a splendid one and is even better than some expected. There is greater interest in golf in this State now than ever before. Raleigh is finishing a \$10,000 club house; a meeting was held in Charlotte Friday night for the purpose of forming a club, and Greensboro and Winston-Salem will organize in a short time.

CHANGES AT POSTAL

Mr. W. H. Stansell Becomes Manager, Succeeding Mr. Bass.

Mr. W. H. Stansell, of Johnson City, Tenn., has succeeded Mr. E. H. Bass as manager of this office. Mr. Bass has resigned and accepted a position with the company in Washington, D. C. Mr. Stansell has had a wide experience in the telegraphic field, and is fully up-to-date in every particular. His family will move here later. With brand new lines to Fayetteville, where the Postal joins the main trunk line; new marine cables under the Cape Fear river; new call bell districts throughout the city; new office, with the latest equipment, and a new manager, the company expects to give that billion dollar merger a few fits.

THE PEOPLE'S CAFE.

Recently Opened at No. 13 Dock Street by Mr. William S. Mintz. In the recent write-up of a number of Wilmington enterprises in the Waterbury Edition, reference was inadvertently omitted to the People's Cafe, recently opened at No. 13 Dock street by Mr. William S. Mintz. Meals are served from 6:30 A. M. to 10:30 P. M. and first-class service is guaranteed. Systems in every style are included in the bill of fare and Mr. Mintz would be glad to have call from his friends and the general public.

CHRISTMAS WINES.

Popular Brands of Native Product Offered by Sol, Bear & Co. Christmas shoppers will be interested in the announcement of Sol, Bear & Company with reference to their Native suppers and other Christmas wines for domestic purposes. These wines are allowed to be sold under the State law to home consumers under the conditions named and purchasers would do well to call at the winery this week for any wants they may have in this line.

Fought With Vicious Negro.

The manager of the cotton seed oil mill at Hilton telephoned police headquarters at 8:30 o'clock last night that there was a drunken negro at the plant and he desired him removed by the police. Sergeant Woodard detailed Mounted Officers T. M. Hall and Frank George to make the arrest. The negro who gave his name as Floyd Pharr, gave the officers no little trouble, striking Officer George several blows. Officer Hall came up and while the three were grappling with the drunk another negro whose name the officers did not learn, ran up from behind and struck Officer George a blow over the head with a stick. The officers had to use their clubs to subdue Pharr, who was sent to the hospital, where his wounds were dressed. He was not seriously injured and was brought back to the City Hall and locked up.

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Edmond A. Kerr and wife and J. W. Kerr and wife, to D. L. Gore, for \$100 and other considerations, 75 acres of land in Cape Fear township, adjoining lands of D. G. Westbrook, E. A. Kerr and others; American Suburban Corporation to Leger Meyer, for \$380, lot 15, block 30 Carolina Place, south side of Market, 66 feet from 20th street, 33x113 feet in size; American Suburban Corporation to J. M. Bass, for \$330, lot 21, block 30, Carolina Place, on south side of Market, 99 feet east of 19th street, 33x113 feet in size.

Had Fight in Basement.

Mr. C. L. Barnes and Wm. Dobson, colored, employees of the Kresge store on Front street, had a fight in the basement of the store yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. They were arrested by Patrolman A. D. Smith and required to give bond for their appearance at trial before the Recorder Monday. Mr. Barnes had an ugly bruise over his left eye which he told the officers he thought was made by a hammer in the hands of the negro. What provoked the fight was not learned.

Sale of Red Cross Stamps.

The sale of Red Cross Christmas stamps has been very large during the past week. The local division of the society has 25,000 more of these stamps which they hope to dispose of this week. Several merchants have offered to put a stamp on every purchase of 10 cents or over; that is, for every 10 cents worth of goods purchased a stamp will be placed on the package. The ladies hope that other merchants will do likewise.

As Has Been Our Custom.

For years past, we have provided new currency and gold in abundance for our patrons' holiday needs. The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co., dec173t.

GOLD MONEY.

The People's Savings Bank has just received direct from "Uncle Sam" a large supply of Gold Coins, which they will be glad to furnish to any of their friends for use at Christmas. de 17-3t.

Buy your Christmas shoes and slippers at Peterson & Ruffs.

If you don't find it elsewhere, try J. T. Burke, the jeweler. dec9t.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. C. McDiarmid, of Fayetteville, was in the city yesterday.

—Mr. Nixon Ottoway, of El Paso, N. C., spent yesterday in Wilmington.

—Mr. C. F. Gore, a student of A. & M. College, is at home to spend the holidays with his parents.

—Mr. P. L. Swain, of Suburb, N. C., was in Wilmington yesterday on a business visit.

—Mr. Joseph S. Mitchell, of Florence, S. C., came up yesterday to spend a day at home.

—Mr. R. F. Pigford, of Willard, N. C., was a business visitor to the city yesterday.

—Messrs. R. R. Watkins and C. W. Lewis, of Southport, N. C., were holiday shoppers in the city yesterday.

—C. D. Koonce, Esq., returned yesterday to his home at Chadbourn, after a brief visit here on legal business.

—Mr. R. McA. Nixon, of Lumberton, was in the city yesterday on his way to Tappan to spend some time with relatives.

—Mr. John Gilchrist McCormick, secretary of the Acme Mfg. Co., returned yesterday from a business trip to Atlanta.

—Mr. E. W. Summersill, Sheriff of Onslow county, returned to his home at Jacksonville yesterday after a brief business visit to this city.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Bailey Robeson, of Mooresville, N. C., are in the city to spend the holidays on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. James Drew, on South Second street.

Friday afternoon's Charlotte News says: "Mr. W. J. Player, of Wilmington, is here for a stay of several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Player on Morehead street. Mr. Player is the father of Mr. E. S. Player."

—Among the guests at The Orton yesterday were W. E. MacDaniel, of Whiteville; J. X. McDonald, Bolton; P. P. Causey, Burgaw; E. S. Lewis, Whiteville; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McNeal, Burgaw; J. H. Schulken, Whiteville.

STRENGTHEN PANAMA BONDS.

Secretary MacVeagh Eliminates Certain Bonds From Security.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Ostensibly for the purpose of strengthening the price of Panama 2 per cent. bonds which for some time have been hovering around par, Secretary MacVeagh today issued an order eliminating State, city and railroad bonds from the list of securities which may be accepted for the deposits of public moneys in National bank depositories. There are now held by the government \$10,021,500 of these classes of bonds as security for such deposits and the expectation of the treasury officials is that they will be promptly replaced by other bonds as it is not the intention of the treasury to reduce the amount of money in National bank depositories. The theory is that by the change the Panama bonds will be more attractive to the banks as investments and that they in turn will find their way into the treasury as security for deposits.

Secretary MacVeagh's action was taken in accordance with an act of Congress which requires him on or before January 1 of each year to make a public statement of the securities required during the year for government deposits in the National banks. The present practice of accepting State, city and railroad bonds "at 90 per cent of market value not exceeding 90 per cent par" is in accordance with legislative enactment. Last June the amount of such issues deposited with the treasury amounted to \$21,000,000. This declined to \$12,000,000 at the end of September and at present is a little more than \$19,000,000.

The following named bonds and no others will be accepted as securities for such deposits: United States Philippine, Porto Rican and District of Columbia bonds at par. Bonds of Hawaiian territory at 90 per cent. of par, bonds of the Philippine Railway Company, at 90 per cent. of market value, but not exceeding 90 per cent. of par. No additional deposits are, however, now in contemplation.

All banks holding deposits of public funds secured by any bonds other than those above named as acceptable, will be required to withdraw such bonds on or before February 1, 1910, and substitute therefor bonds described above.

20 HURT IN WRECK.

Oriental Limited Leaped From Track at Western Springs, Ill. Chicago, Dec. 18.—More than 20 persons were injured, but none was killed when the Oriental Limited on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad was wrecked by a "snake" rail near Western Springs, Ill., at 4:30 A. M. today.

It is supposed that a rail, split by the intense cold, threw the heavy limited off the track and part of it plunged down an embankment about 15 feet high. All the cars were overturned and it is considered miraculous that none was killed as the train was going at a rate of more than 50 miles an hour when the crash came.

The whole train leaped the track and plowed madly along the ties for more than 100 yards. Most of those injured were riding in the sleepers. The injured were speedily brought to this city by a relief train.

Most of those injured were from points in the northwest. The train was due here at 9 P. M. last night.

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LOCAL DOTS.

—Mr. W. G. Gaylor, No. 307 North Fifth street, was awarded the handsome prize doll at the Crystal Palace last night.

—Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., will have its regular convocation to-morrow night with the annual election of officers.

—The schooner Herbert May, Capt. Black, cleared yesterday for Wiggins, S. C., where she will load lumber for Northern markets.

—Elder J. C. Hooks, of Fremont, will preach at the Primitive Baptist Church on Castle street, this morning at 11 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

—A. B. Mercer has reported to the police that he lost a bundle, containing some lawn, calico and outing, drawing knife and one pair of ladies' shoes, at Market street dock Friday night.

—A license was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. George B. Robbins and Miss Jennie May Rice, daughter of Mr. Martin L. Rice, both of Allen, S. C. The ceremony will be performed tomorrow.

—Alice Jones, colored, was arrested by Officer T. M. Hall at corner of Second and Hanover streets at 11:45 o'clock last night on the charge of stealing \$20 in money from a colored man. The negro is in the city prison in default of bond.

—Mr. James Sprunt, British vice consul at this port, reported to the police yesterday that Mohomet Repat, a Turkish fireman on the British steamer Harlyn, had deserted the vessel at this port. He will be returned to the vessel if captured.

—The steamer Wilmington made a special trip yesterday for the convenience of Southport people and a large crowd of Christmas shoppers came to the city. The boat came up in the morning and returned yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

—An interesting meeting of the bote, which promises to be very interesting. A full attendance is desired. Boys' Brigade, the last before the holidays, will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the armory. A feature of the meeting will be a literary display. H. Dushan, No. 519 Chesnut street.

—In Justice George Harris' court at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. Alonzo T. Merritt, a well known car penter, charged with abandonment and non support, waived examination through his attorney, W. P. Gafford, Esq., and was required to give \$25 bond for his appearance before the Recorder Monday.

—Rev. John Aberly, D. D., a returned missionary from India, will preach at St. Matthew's Lutheran church today, at the morning and evening services and this afternoon at 5 o'clock will address the men's meeting in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. W. A. McGirt will sing a solo. Rev. Mr. Aberly is an able and consecrated divine, who has spent 20 years in the foreign missionary field and will be heard with much pleasure by the people of this city. His brother, Mr. W. F. Aberly, who are guests of Mr. W. A. McGirt.

—The annual election of officers of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, No. 71, was held last night and resulted as follows: President, John W. Frederick; vice president, S. C. Dunn; financial secretary and treasurer, J. J. Bell; recording secretary, W. F. Green; corresponding secretary, W. A. Furlong; representative to National convention, W. A. Furlong; alternate J. J. Bell. The Association is in fine financial condition and is having fine attendance at its meetings. All members are employed.

STRANG'S NEW RECORD.

Testing Out Motor Speedway at Indianapolis, Ind., Yesterday.

Motor Speedway, Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 18.—The five-mile speed record for an automobile upon an elliptical track was broken on the motor speedway today by Louis Strang, driving a 200-horse power Fiat car in 3:17.70. The record had been held by Oldfield, who covered the distance with a Benz car in 4:11.30 last Summer on this course, before it was paved with brick.

Strang's performance so startled the officials of the track that they at first were disposed not to credit it. Fred Wagner, the starter, announced that he had caught Strang's time with a stop watch at 3:17.35, or one-tenth of a second faster than the official time.

The timing machine caught Strang's one mile flying start before he entered upon the five-mile trip at 40:00. The course is of 2 1/2 miles and Strang made two laps. The timing machine caught the last mile of each lap. In the first lap this mile was done in 39:36, and in the second lap 39:66.

In one of these miles a quarter was covered in 8:05, which is a new record for this distance.

The several trials were made to test the efficiency and safety of the track, re-paved with brick upon which five lives were lost in last Summer's races. The owners of the plant and the drivers are satisfied with it now, they said. Before Strang broke the five-mile record he set a new mile record for the Indianapolis track. It is 39:31.

Only Strang and Christie tried for records today. Christie did a quarter in 8:38, but one of the springs on his "Freak" racer was found to be defective and it was decided to take no chances with it.

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See Rehder's this week for every thing.

"It's the little things that count"—that's why Platt & Hanr, realizing how important it is to have a little lace, just at this time, instead of putting this stock away till after Christmas, have fitted up a most convenient lace department, where it will be a pleasure to show the goods. No matter if it is only half a yard you need the pleasure will be theirs. The Little Store for laces.

See Rehder's for Toys, Fancy Goods, good clothing, good shoes, silk and dress goods.

ABOUT CIVIC IMPROVEMENT

Department Conducted Under Auspices of Sorosis.

The following article was recently written and read before the Home Science Department of Sorosis by one of its members. A request was made at the meeting to have the paper published:

"Matter Out of Place."

There is a "matter out of place" in place in Wilmington that we, who are hard matter for me to decide just where to start from as I didn't want to go too deeply into the civic side of the question as I see by our programme we are to have a civic afternoon later on. I have trespassed on the question a little by attacking the streets, particularly the residence streets, as these are streets of homes and homes should be as clean without as within. The ideal street is that which is both mudless and dustless and is possible to furnish an abundance of pure fresh air. If we on one block keep it clean and free from litter and those on the next block are careless, then it is up to us of the clean block to use our influence in getting our neighbor to do like wise.

We will probably be met with rebuffs very like a board of health, who informed the head of a family that the small yard and filthy basement would have to be cleaned up as the attending physician had reported five cases of typhoid fever in the house in a few months, all directly traceable to the filthy conditions of the premises. The woman of the family quickly replied she had all she could do to look after the inside of the house, the yard would have to care for itself. Doesn't this show us the immediate need of sanitary education and is there one among us who wouldn't profit by such? Our streets are watered and often results in only a sprinkling. Then what? As the wind blows clouds of dust arise and homes and pedestrians are the sufferers. Why cannot we use our influence to have the streets well watered instead of sprinkled or better still, since our county commissioners feel that the rolling of roads will prove satisfactory, have the city streets oiled, thus preventing the germs arising from all sorts of refuse.

During the yellow fever scare in 1903 we had an expectorating ordinance that was fairly well looked after at that time. Since then, however, it seems to have died a natural death, but I believe it could be resurrected as we have a Mayor and other city officials who seem anxious to keep to city in a cleanly condition. Another need of this department is to study out of door needs. They are just as necessary as indoor needs and there is no difference between domestic housekeeping and municipal housekeeping. The latter should, if anything, be the more carefully attended to, because while one untidy housekeeper is clearly objectionable, she is dangerous only to herself and her family, but if the pavement shared by all the houses is unclean, then every home on the street suffers. You have all read doubtless of the work of the club women of San Francisco, who by combined efforts and help of the United States government, cleaned the city of plague infected rats. These women were ridiculed, jeered at and treated in most unkindly manner. They paid no attention to all this but kept on in their sanitary work until they had the city so aroused that a sanitary crusade was the result. Then was formed a Woman's Auxiliary that assisted in the reorganization of the garbage system. This most important municipal function was in the hands of ignorant and careless foreign scavengers, who because they had to pay sixty cents a week to a private concern who owned the incinerator, would dump their refuse on vacant lots there to feed millions and millions of flies as well as rats.

I don't know that there have been any rats to feed, but I do know that the residents of Carolina Heights have been fighting a similar experience the past summer. At first thought one may say that is too far out to affect us in the city limits and it does not concern us. Think a minute. Much of the night soil is disposed of to the truck gardens within two or three miles of us. The rest is dumped anywhere beyond 17th street on vacant land. We have good roads, we drive or walk through the so-called country, but worst of all we are buying from carts and our markets vegetables raised on the ground fertilized with night soil, which no amount of cooking, the physicians tell us, will kill the germs. These are matters that as housekeepers and club women we must consider seriously.

If the women of San Francisco in the face of poverty and destruction from that awful earthquake, can do so much, surely we, as club women, ought at least to be able to bring the sanitation of our city up to a high standard. We will not go into politics but as wives and mothers we must protect our homes. To do this we have got to work and talk to so the interest our men that they will legislate for the better sanitation of our city. Let us try.

WOMAN'S INTEREST IN CIVIC WELFARE.

By Mrs. Phillip N. Moore, President of Federation of Women's Clubs.

The city, a Home Clean and beautiful, where every citizen finds an opportunity for the development of the highest that is in him physically, mentally and morally—is this the vision of the earnest women of our country. City life has come to mean serious congestion and competition and under

this burden women are perhaps the first to suffer, in the endeavor to make possible to husband and children the comforts of home under such manifold handicap.

Those who can see their way clear to help in this National movement for civic betterment should not hesitate for a moment to lend every energy toward obtaining for themselves and others what we believe spiritual and physical life, under proper conditions.

The women of the country are banding themselves together in an organized effort toward civic welfare and this means co-operation with other organizations wherever possible.

They see a future of great gain to every class of society in the efforts being made, and they welcome the most suggestive thoughts as to methods. The individual membership of the General Federation of Women's Clubs 800,000 strong, has many interests: literature, civics, pure and clean for the home, industrial conditions of women and children, forestry and waterways, education in the school and community, civil service as applied to state charitable and connectional institutions and such legislation as will help those various efforts. Not one of all this membership fails in keen appreciation of all that should make her home city the best possible place in which to live. The incentive for earnest work will come from a recital of results, and no one will respond more eagerly than the thinking, active woman of the community.

SEASON AT PINEHURST.

Many Delightful Social Affairs—Late Arrivals at Resort.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 18.—The week has been one of many delightful social affairs, among them the first of the progressive bridge parties at the Holly Inn, which was enjoyed by the entire colony, details of arrangements in the hands of Mrs. Charles T. Parks, of New York, and Mrs. Guy Metcalf, of Providence. The prize winners were Mrs. William Lewis Washington, Mrs. John Bassett Moore, Mrs. V. R. Lansingh, of New York, Mr. E. A. Tracy, of South Conway, A. J. Creamer, of North Conway, and Prof. John Bassett Moore, of New York.

Among the more formal dinners was a spread given by Mr. Wilbur C. Johnson, of New York, for Miss Harriet Horton, of Williamsport, and Mr. Spencer Waters, of New York, the guests including Mrs. C. S. Horton, of Williamsport; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tufts, of Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Johnson, of Lewiston; Miss Lucy K. Priest, of Franconia; Mr. C. M. Brett, of Brookline, and Dr. Myron W. Marr, of Dorchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. King, of Northboro, gave a dinner of 14 covers for Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tufts, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Metcalf, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln C. Cummings, of Brookline; Miss Mary Kellar, of Northboro; Miss Harriet Horton, of Williamsport; Mr. Philip L. Lightbourn, of Bermuda, and Dr. Myron W. Marr.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tufts were also hosts at a dinner given for Mr. Frederick Bruce and Miss Bruce, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ormsbee, of Fitchburg, also Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln C. Cummings, of Brookline.

Days of glorious sunshine and crisp air are popularizing outdoor sports and recreation. Quail shooting is at its best and riding, driving, golf and tennis are all claiming many devotees. The holidays promise to be one round of merry-making, for the younger set is busy planning many delightful affairs, among them the first of the season's collations.

Late arrivals include Mr. and Mrs. Leslie C. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. George W. K. Taylor, Miss Anna C. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Parks, Mrs. V. R. Lansingh, Mr. W. C. Johnson, Mr. Spencer Waters, Mr. C. A. Phillips, Mr. A. C. Greening, Mr. S. L. Feiber, Mr. H. J. Ellsworth, Mr. A. T. Ellisworth, Mr. Mahlon Pitney, Mr. C. A. Reed, Mrs. William Lewis Washington, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hayford, the Misses Theodore and Margaret Clough and Miss Blanche Tapley, of Lynn; Mrs. M. L. Bishop and Mr. Julian Bishop, of Bridgeport; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Wesson, of Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Scott, of Providence; Mrs. N. E. B. Hefferman and Miss Katherine Hefferman, of Providence; Mr. LaFayette Lentz and Mr. William O. Lentz, of Mauch Chunk; Mr. C. M. Brett, of Brookline; Dr. E. W. Pierce, of Meriden, and Mr. H. T. Bartlett, of Ansonia, and Mr. John J. Kennedy, of Boston.

SALESMEN WHO SUCCEED.

Great Men Who Started Life as Commercial Travelers.

Marshall Field was a commercial traveler; so were John Wanamaker and Tom Murray, writes Forrest Crissey in Everybody's. So also were Dwight L. Moody, the great evangelist, and Richard Cobden, the famous English statesman and writer.

Ex-Gov. Frank Black, of New York, followed "the road" with his sample cases before beginning his legal and political career. Walter D. Moody, one of the chief executives of the Chicago Association of Commerce, and author of "Men Who Sell Things," was for 15 years a road salesman. This list might be extended almost indefinitely.

Occasionally the commercial traveler leaves the road to enter one of the professions. Milton J. Foreman, one of the leaders of the Chicago bar, president of the Chicago Charter Association, alderman, and a power in local politics, was a "star" hat salesman and took his law books on the road with him until he was well grounded in the rudiments of the profession.

At The Theatre.

The present week, which is noted as being an off one for business in the theatrical world, will find the Academy dark. However, this will be the rule with many theatres throughout the country, as companies by the score will lay off this week. It's true it is Christmas week, but as Christmas comes on Saturday it is really looked upon by the theatrical managers as the week before. Hence, next week will really be the big one in the "show business". And again will Wilmington not be the exception, because next week will be one of incessant attractions. The week at the Academy will be occupied every night, save Thursday, the 30th, by the Four Pickers. This popular price, or repertoire company, will, no doubt, be royally greeted by Wilmington theatre-goers, because it is a favorite in this city. This company is a merry holiday attraction. The company is headed by the dainty Blanche Pickert, who

This is the true reason that he so rarely accords an interview. He is always busy about other things. Yet when he does talk for publication, no man has more to tell or can tell it more directly or more interestingly. He sits at his desk, an old fashioned, flat topped affair in the office which is the centre of the theatrical world. Around the room runs a bookcase five feet high on the top of which are the photographs of many celebrated men and women in the dramatic world, Maude Adams, Ethel Barrymore, John Drew, Billie Burke, Marie Tempest, William Gillette and others. They are always spoken of by him as "my people" and they in turn always speak of him as "C. F.". Between him and them there does not exist as much paper by way of a written contract as a two cent postage stamp. That shows how his word is regarded.

The interview, finally accorded, after a preliminary chat he says quickly in regard to a criticism of the American star system recently expressed by a visiting Englishman:

"I have never created a star in my life. All of the stars under my management owe their eminence largely to their own industry and ability, and largely, too, to the fact that the American is an individual loving public."

"Over here we regard the workman first and the work second. Our imaginations are fired not nearly so much by great deeds as by great doers. There are stars in every walk of American life. It has always been so with democracies. Caesar, Cicero, and the rest were public stars when Rome was at her best, just as in our day Taft, Roosevelt and some others are stars of a much finer brilliancy than any public service they actually render."

"Far from fostering it the star system has simply meant for me that when one of my stars finishes with a play, that play goes permanently on the shelf, no one ever hoping to muster together an audience for it with out the original actor or actress in the star part. That is, the very popularity of Maude Adams in 'Peter Pan' makes it impossible to send the play out with anybody else except Maude Adams in the part of Peter. John Drew's success in 'The Duke of Killfrankie' makes it impossible for anybody to follow Mr. Drew in the same part. Every play acted by Ethel Barrymore has been locked up permanently in our cabinet of plays as soon as Miss Barrymore has finished with it and it is spoken of as one of the Barrymore plays. The same is true of 'Love's Labour's Lost' and 'The American Idea' and the big hit in New York and in that no one cares to have anyone else and the play is practically killed; the same is true, too, of the Gillette plays, 'Sherlock Holmes', for example."

"I expressed the idea to Mr. Barrie once by saying that Maude Adams had killed 'Peter Pan' and his look of astonishment explained that it was not out of my mind, but that I meant that unless she played it there was no one the public would receive in that charming place."

COMMISSION GOVERNMENT.

New Form of Municipal Administration Becoming Popular.

(Richmond Times-Dispatch.)

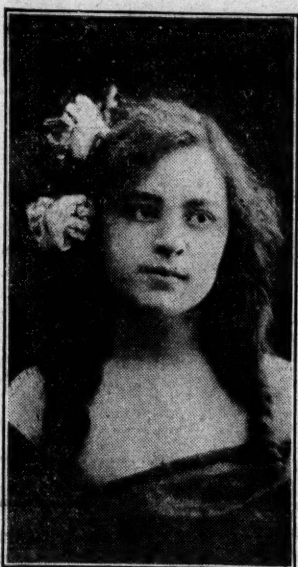
The Petersburg Index-Appel, which has long been a stout opponent of government by commission, is being rapidly discredited in abandoning its opposition. "Experience with government by the citizens' common council system," it says, "has led us to accept anything in preference to the ill we endure." Some of the Petersburg councilmen, it seems, neglect the responsibilities they have assumed in the most inexcusable way. It is reported that there are committees which have not been able to get together a quorum in months. Of this deplorable condition, the Index-Appel says:

"If this statement be true, then it is about time for the business men and taxpayers of this city to look around for a better form of municipal government, and to consider the commission form as a substitute for the present cumbersome, inefficient bicameral system of common council."

Theory is a good horse, but practice is a better. The processes through which the Index-Appel is passing have been traversed by many others who, like it, have begun with strong hostility to the commission system and ended by embracing it as the most escape from insufferable maladministration of municipal business.

Here in Richmond we have no such ground for complaint against the council as the Petersburgers seem to have. On the contrary, the majority of our councilmen display an interest and faithfulness in their work which does them credit. But the inherent defects of the system are as manifest here as they must be wherever the system exists. It is simply an impossible way to do business. One need only try to imagine any other large corporation, except the people's, run in such a way, to see at once the absurdity of the attempt. To commission government there may be theoretical objections. But after all, the taxpayers are much more interested in results than theories of government, and results under a commission, so far as it has yet been tried, leave the two-chambered monthly meeting council without a leg to stand on.

Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste makes it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Cures constipation. Robt. R. Bellamy.



MISS LILIE PICKERT.

is very popular here, and besides includes, as of yore, Misses Grace and Lilie Pickert and Mr. Willis Pickert, and the four make up a big vaudeville combination that is delightful and that is a strong drawing card alone. The dramatic part of the company this season, however, is said to be much stronger than ever, which is saying volumes, and the repertoire is all new to Wilmington play-goers and includes some of the best known successes. One of the best bills in this repertoire will be selected for the opening night, one week from tomorrow, and between acts will be introduced a swell line of specialties.

Big Minstrel Company.

For the night of December 30th, the Academy has booked the largest minstrel company that has ever been presented to the American public. It is the famed Cohan and Harris Minstrels, headed by "Honey Boy" Evans, and almost 100 merry minstrel folks compose the organization. The Cohan of the firm is the noted Geo. Cohan, the musical comedy king and author, who has turned out such successful stuff as "Fifty Miles From Boston," "Fifty Miles From Broadway," "Little Johnnie Jones," "The American Idea," and the big hit in New York at present, "The Man Who Owns Broadway." Mr. Cohan, of course, does not travel with the company, but the organization is his hobby and he has spent thousands upon thousands of dollars in giving to the public a brilliant performance. The company will appear in Wilmington just the same as it appeared on Broadway earlier in the season and Wilmington play-goers will really be astounded at the giant size and magnificence of the minstrel production. The parade given by the company is said to be the most wonderful ever presented by any minstrel organization.

So the Cohan and Harris show will no doubt be greeted by a "standing room only" audience at the Academy. Already there have been scores of requests for the reservation of seats.

Deaths of Stars.

Charles Frohman in discussing American theatrical conditions complains of the dearth of leading actors and comments on the star system. He also notes the significance of the recent enormous production of plays—most of which are bad. These are some of the topics touched upon in the latest of the interviews in which he so rarely submits.

Mr. Frohman considers that he has no time to give to interviewers. He cares little about money but of his time he is miserly. Time is the only competitor that he recognizes. For 18 hours a day, year in and year out, it is a neck and neck race between them. Meals, sleep, the barber and other necessities of life become luxuries rarely indulged in by him during the days when he is making plays. Four or five sandwiches, each the worse for one bite, strewn about the top of a little mahogany portable desk that stands in the lightest spot of the theatre auditorium is the sign by which the company knows that Mr. Frohman is present at the rehearsal. He has summed up the habit in the saying: "A rehearsal accompanied by a sandwich is progress, but a rehearsal interrupted by a meal is delay."

AFFAIRS AT THE UNIVERSITY

Students' Volunteer Movement is Active—Athletic Notes—Elisha Mitchell Scientific Secretary—Ready for the Holidays.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 15.—During the last week in December the International Student Volunteer Movement Society will meet in Rochester, N. Y. This meeting is always the largest student gathering of any college generation, and meets under the auspices of the student volunteer department of the Y. M. C. A. Four years ago this body met in Nashville, Tenn., and there were 5,000 delegates in attendance. At this convention over 100 of the flower of colleges throughout the United States volunteered themselves for foreign missionary work. The Rochester convention will surpass in numbers and results the last one. Carolina will have at this convention a delegation as large as that of any other Southern university. Her delegates will be Prof. A. H. Patterson, Messrs. E. E. Barnett, D. B. Bryan, A. R. Morgan, R. G. Stockton, E. W. Turlington and W. H. Hargrett. Mr. Morgan is chairman of the mission committee of the Y. M. C. A. and is also a student volunteer who expects to go to the remote regions of Afghanistan. There are in the University six student volunteers who expect to go to China, India, Japan and Africa as missionaries.

Prof. A. H. Patterson will represent the University of North Carolina at the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association of America in New York December 28th. This meeting is of much significance as the fight for football reform in American colleges will here be made.

The Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society met Monday night in its 180th meeting. Interesting papers were read by Drs. J. E. Latta and W. D. Nide. This is the oldest scientific society in the South and much beneficial study is done in it.

Prof. M. C. S. Noble will deliver an educational address at Mooresville on Thursday.

Many members of the University faculty will be off the Hill during the holidays to attend various educational and philological societies all over the country.

The Fall session of the University will formally close on Wednesday the 22nd. This is the first time in quite a while that the regular mid-year examinations were not held in December, and it is hoped by the faculty that this change will prove beneficial to all concerned. The holidays will be a little shorter than usual as the Spring term will open on January 3rd and 4th as registration days.

Tolassio, the cotton club of the young married people of Chapel Hill, gave its first German Saturday night at the Harlan, the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. Archibald Henderson. The home was beautifully decorated with garlands of holly and ivy, with glowing candles placed between them intermittently. Dr. and Mrs. George Howe led the figures which were colonial and fourteen couples followed in their joyous step until late in the night.

COLUMBUS COUNTY MULE.

Responsible for Death of Two Husbands and Ready for Third.

A gentleman was telling us yesterday of a Columbus county mule that had killed two of his owners. Besides the candy pulling, which was enjoyed by all, other refreshments were served and the evening was pleasantly spent in good fellowship. The pleasure of these socials are greatly increased by the first class music given by the Bingham Military Band.

It is a matter of pride and pleasure to note the great progress which has been made by the band which now has 22 members, with the prospect of other additions at an early date. Both the Bingham band and the orchestra are a great success. Music is always refining and brightening in its effects and nothing is more appreciated or enjoyed by the boys and young men of the school. The band also gave an interesting concert in the opera house on Saturday evening which was attended by a large crowd.

A few days ago the school was pleased to have as a guest, Rev. Dr. McMaster, the traveling representative of the North Carolina Sabbath School Betterment Association. Dr. McMaster gave an interesting and instructive address before the corps of cadets in the school chapel and was cordially invited by President Gray to return at his earliest convenience to deliver another.

Much interest is being taken in the intermediate examinations which began today. By doing extra work, on holidays the boys will be enabled to finish their studies and go home for the holidays a little earlier than they otherwise would.

Tennis and basket ball will probably be the great games at Bingham in the future, unless the football rules are changed so as to avoid the large number of fatalities which have accompanied the playing of the game in the United States, during the season just closed. An interesting match of basket ball has just been held between companies A and B and the suggestion has been made to add the old fashioned game of "shinny" to the list of school games to be played during the winter.

Hexamethylenetetramine

The above is the name of a German chemical, which is one of the many valuable ingredients of Foley's Kidney Remedy. Hexamethylenetetramine is recognized by medical text books and authorities as a uric solvent and antiseptic for the urine. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy as soon as you notice any irregularities and avoid a serious malady. Robt. R. Bellamy.

NEW SOUTHERN INDUSTRIES

A Number Announced in this Week's Issue of Manufacturers' Record—Activity in All General Lines.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Baltimore, Dec. 16.—Among the important Southern industrial announcements made in this week's issue of the Manufacturers' Record are: Farmington Coal & Coke Co., Fairmont, W. Va., incorporated with capital stock of \$300,000, by Ohio and Pennsylvania parties. Arctic Ice and Refrigerator Co., Enid, Okla., organized with capital of \$100,000, to build a plant of 200 tons capacity. Roanoke Electric Light & Power Co., Roanoke, Va., incorporated with capital of \$100,000 to operate a waterpower-electric plant on Roanoke river. River Falls Cotton Mill Co., River Falls, N. C., increased capital to \$250,000 and plans to build mill of 10,000 or more spindles. James White and associates, Athens, Ga., plan constructing a waterpower electric plant developing 4,000 horsepower for transmission by electricity and to double the 7,000 spindle equipment of the Star Thread Mills, the latter owned by Mr. White. Granite Manufacturing Co., Marble Falls, Texas, will install 800 looms for weaving ginghams. LeFevre Sugar Co., Arnaudville, La., organized with a capital of \$1,000,000, proposed to build a 1,500-ton sugar house. Southern Export Lumber & Timber Co., New Orleans, La., incorporated with capital of \$500,000. International Kinch Tile Corporation, Washington, D. C., organized to manufacture opalescent glass products. Henry Old South Carriage Co., Burlington, N. C., incorporated with capital of \$100,000 to drill for oil. Block Carbon Coal Co., Birmingham, Ala., incorporated with capital of \$20,000. Kentucky Electric Co., Louisville, Ky., awarded contracts for improvements to cost \$40,000. Crescent & Storage Co., Louisville, Ky., awarded contract for an ice plant of 40 tons daily capacity. Ragley-Saner Lumber Co., Dallas, Texas, will build double band saw mill with daily capacity of 125,000 feet. Colonial Coal & Coke Co., Prestonsburg, Ky., began construction of plant to be equipped with electric machinery for daily output of 500 tons of coal. Cates Machine & Bridge Co., Burlington, N. C., incorporated with capital of \$125,000. North Georgia Fertilizer Co., Atlanta, Ga., will build 40-ton fertilizer plant at Rome, Ga. Allen Engineering Co., Memphis, Tenn., organized with capital of \$40,000 for general engineering and steel construction. Louisville Lumber Co., Mobile, Ala., incorporated and plans to build two mills with capacity of 1,000,000 feet of lumber each. Rome Copperage Co., Rome, Ga., incorporated with capital of \$10,000.

AT BINGHAM'S SCHOOL.

Interesting School News From Seat of Learning at Mebane.

Mebane, N. C., Dec. 14.—Among the most pleasant social events that take place at Bingham are the old fashioned candy pullings which are held from time to time in the large and attractive dining hall of the school. The first of these for the Winter season was held recently and was declared to be such a success that another one was held on Saturday before last. Besides the candy pulling, which was enjoyed by all, other refreshments were served and the evening was pleasantly spent in good fellowship. The pleasure of these socials are greatly increased by the first class music given by the Bingham Military Band.

It is a matter of pride and pleasure to note the great progress which has been made by the band which now has 22 members, with the prospect of other additions at an early date. Both the Bingham band and the orchestra are a great success. Music is always refining and brightening in its effects and nothing is more appreciated or enjoyed by the boys and young men of the school. The band also gave an interesting concert in the opera house on Saturday evening which was attended by a large crowd.

A few days ago the school was pleased to have as a guest, Rev. Dr. McMaster, the traveling representative of the North Carolina Sabbath School Betterment Association. Dr. McMaster gave an interesting and instructive address before the corps of cadets in the school chapel and was cordially invited by President Gray to return at his earliest convenience to deliver another.

Much interest is being taken in the intermediate examinations which began today. By doing extra work, on holidays the boys will be enabled to finish their studies and go home for the holidays a little earlier than they otherwise would.

Tennis and basket ball will probably be the great games at Bingham in the future, unless the football rules are changed so as to avoid the large number of fatalities which have accompanied the playing of the game in the United States, during the season just closed. An interesting match of basket ball has just been held between companies A and B and the suggestion has been made to add the old fashioned game of "shinny" to the list of school games to be played during the winter.

Hexamethylenetetramine

The above is the name of a German chemical, which is one of the many valuable ingredients of Foley's Kidney Remedy. Hexamethylenetetramine is recognized by medical text books and authorities as a uric solvent and antiseptic for the urine. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy as soon as you notice any irregularities and avoid a serious malady. Robt. R. Bellamy.

AN EDUCATIONAL GATHERING

Southern Association at Charlotte Just After Christmas—Several Other Organizations to Assemble at Same Time.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

The next meeting of the Southern Educational Association will be held at Charlotte, N. C., on December 28th, 29th and 30th, 1909. This will be one of the largest, most important and notable educational gatherings that ever assembled in the South. The last meeting at Atlanta was the largest in its history. The association has been largely reconstructed and has now developed an organization almost as extensive as that of the National Educational Association.

Among the leading educators of the country who have already accepted places on the general programme may be mentioned the following: Ex-President Eliot, of Harvard University; President Jordan, of Leland Stanford University; President Judson, of the University of Chicago; President Dabney, of the University of Cincinnati; Chancellor Kirkland, of Vanderbilt University; President Hill, of the University of Missouri; President Mezes, of the University of Texas; President Denney, of Washington and Lee University; President Venable, of the University of North Carolina; President Abernethy, of the University of Alabama; President Kinnancan, of the University of Mississippi; President Mitchell, of the University of South Carolina; Prof. P. P. Claxton, of the University of Tennessee; Congressman Charles R. Davis, the United States commissioner of education; one or two European ambassadors, United States Senator Overman, of North Carolina, and a number of others. In addition to those already mentioned who will be on the general programme, there are about 300 of the sixteen different departmental programmes.

Among the subjects that will be discussed in the general session are the following: Educational ideals and problems of the New South as compared with the Old South; the industrial development of the South—the development of Southern rural life and public schools in relation to it; the movement for the improvement of school houses and grounds; the call for educational citizenship; national aid to Southern schools; present status of illiteracy in the Southern States; methods of State and local taxation for public schools; present conception of negro education in the South; methods of educational campaigns; the service of the State university; present status of college education; higher education of women; the movement for the education of adults; the supervision of rural schools; the improvement of teachers; Southern Summer schools; development of rural high schools; secondary agricultural education in the South; secondary education in Europe; European and American trade schools, etc.

The most progressive Southern universities, colleges and normal schools will make exhibits of their equipments, special facilities, etc., bearing especially upon the professional preparation of teachers in secondary and elementary schools, also several kindergarten schools, will exhibit the work they have done. The United States Bureau of Education and the Teachers' College of Chicago University will also make large exhibits. They will exhibit in the line of architecture, equipment, courses of instruction, etc. Apparatus for the examination of defective hearing, seeing, lung capacity, fatigue, etc., will be on exhibit and children examined by a specialist; also chemical, physical, biological, psychological apparatus and school supplies. Publishers will exhibit the latest texts, etc.

Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology, Religious Educational Association, American School Peace League, Southern Association for the Improvement of School Houses and Grounds, etc.

A number of the Southern universities, colleges, normal and technological schools will make the meeting of the Southern Educational Association the occasion for a meeting of graduates and for holding banquets.

The railroads have granted half rates and hotels will also give special rates. Charlotte is a large commercial and industrial center and an excellent place for meeting.

H. E. BIERLEY, Secretary.

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS STAMP.

Buy me every chance you get! Do you good? Just try me! Lick me light and stick me tight! Buy me! Buy me! Buy me! All good luck and Christmas cheer. All good will I carry. I'm your friend—and never fear—Truly sanitary.

I'm the Red Cross Christmas Stamp. This that I propose is To summon wealth to fight for health And beat tuberculosis. Beat the greatest plague of all. Oust a pall of sadness, Treat despair with food and air, And lift it into gladness.

Buy me! Buy me! I'm your friend, Help me win my battle! Help me bring a scourge to end, Men are more than cattle! Help me help the suffering! I'll their supplication, I'll that's brotherly shall bring Healing to the nation.—E. S. Martin.

CHRISTMAS LAND AT POLVOGT'S

GLORIOUS CHRISTMAS

The Wonderful Christmas Show Is Now Ready

Finer than ever, of course, wouldn't think we were keeping good store if that wasn't true, and what a glorious show of attractive Christmas beauty it is. About everything really worthy in holiday wares from the four corners of the world is here. All but—and this is tremendously important—all but the cheaply made novelties and the flimsily constructed things created only for show, none of those extravagant purse drawers at this store. Just a great big, royally generous gathering of really beautiful, rarely sensible Christmas gifts, the only sorts for wise folks to select. An the price story: it's persistently fair and perpetually modest, when told of merchandise that bears the Polvogt stamp of sterling worth and goodness—don't forget that.

Gents' Bath Robes.....\$4.00 Ladies Crochet Slippers, a pair.....60c
Children's white Bear Skin Sets, Coats, Cap and Leggings to match. Christmas sale price.....\$5.00
Children's Pants Leggings, white and black, Christmas Sale price, 50c, 75c.....\$1.00
Children's School Umbrellas, special.....75c

Buy Early for the Best and Biggest Values



SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Best Holiday Stock Ever Brought to Wilmington

Ready tomorrow, a whole great store, crowded roof high with sensible gifts. Not a single offering in all this brilliant gathering but deserves the big value sign, not one that can fail to bring deep joy to the heart of whoever receives it. Sensible folks give sensible Christmas presents, these are all the kind such people choose; first, because the articles are so worthy, and, second, because they are so economically priced, for we cannot impress too strongly upon your mind the vitally important fact that at the Wilmington store no high holiday profit has been placed upon the merchandise offered. You can pursue no wiser course than to select the greater share of your gifts from among these dependable offerings here listed.

Gents' 50c Neckwear.....25c Mercerized Mufflers.....50c
Gents' half Hose, 15c and.....25c Gents' Night Robes, 50c and.....75c
Gents' Silk Mufflers, 75c to.....\$2.00 Gents' Kid Gloves, a pair.....\$1.50
Gents' Shirts.....50c Gents' Suspenders.....50c

Buy Early and Avoid the Great Crowds



Christmas SPECIALS Ideal for Christmas Presents

Gents' Initial Handkerchiefs, all linen, six to a box.....\$1.50
Gents' Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, large size, each.....50c
Gents' 50c Half Hose, special Xmas Sale, a pair.....42c
Gents' Shirts, white pleated bosoms special.....45c
Gents' Kid Gloves, Meyer's make only, a pair.....\$1.39
Gents' Night Shirts, special value for.....50c
Gents' Smoking Jackets.....\$5.00 upwards

Xmas Novelties

Every Price a Tidy Saving Over Other Quotations.

JEWEL CASES.

All Satin Lined—Silver and Gold.

French gold plated Jewel Case.....59c
French gold and silver plated Jewel Cases, large size, only 89c
Large gold and silver plated Jewel Cases, special.....\$1.19
Special \$2.00 Jewel Case in French gold and silver plated, only.....\$1.59
\$3.00 fine Jewel Case, heavy plated silver and gold, special for Xmas Sale.....\$1.89
Fine Jewel Case, extra large, gold and French gray.....\$2.19
Large size fine gold and French gray Jewel Case, \$2.75, \$3.50 and.....\$5.00
Mail orders will receive special attention.

GOLD CLOCKS.

Guaranteed Good Time Pieces.

Gold plated Clocks, special.....\$1.19
Gold plated Clocks, special.....\$2.19
Fine plated Clocks special prices, each, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5.00 and.....\$6.50
Brass Fern Dishes, with clay pot, ready for use, special.....\$1.00
Brass Fern Dishes on stand with pot, special, each.....\$1.25
Glass Cigar Jars, with silver tops, each.....50c, 75c, and \$1.00
Silver Fern Dishes, very handsome.....\$1.50, \$2.50 and \$5.00
French Silver Trays, special values, each.....\$1.00 and \$1.50
All our silver and gold ware is guaranteed.

Xmas Novelties

A Splendid List of Attractive Gift Suggestions.

Gents' Silk Mufflers.....75c to \$2.00
Gents' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.....50c
Gents' all Linen Handkerchiefs.....15c to 25c
Gents' plain and fancy Half Hose, special.....25c and 50c
Gents' gold handle Umbrellas, all silk.....\$5.00
Gents' silver mounted handle Umbrellas.....\$2.49
Gents' Bath Robes, each.....\$3.98 to 6.00
Gents' Smoking Jacket, a regular \$6.00 value, special.....\$5.00
Linen Scarfs and Center Pieces, drawn work, special.....50c
Linen Scarfs and Center Pieces drawn work, extra nice large sizes, special.....25c
Battenburg Center Pieces and Scarfs, special price.....\$1.50
Large assortment Cluney Linen Scarfs and Center Pieces, 50c up, all hand work.
All Linen scalloped edge Linen pieces, all sizes to match, suitable for table sets.
Ladies' Silk Hose, black and all colors. Christmas sale price, a pair \$1.25 and.....\$1.75
Ladies Evening Capes at greatly reduced prices. Visit our Suit Department for reductions.
Ladies' Lace Net Waists at special Christmas prices
Cord Rushing, six yards to boxes.....25c



Christmas SPECIALS Mexican Drawn Work

All Linen Center Pieces, 18 inches square.....\$1.00 to \$1.50
Many among the lot worth double.
Fine Linen drawn work Center Pieces, 30 inches square, worth \$1.50 to \$5.00, sale price.....\$1.25 to \$3.00
All Linen Dresser and Side Board Scarfs, a fine assortment, from each.....\$1.25 to \$3.50
Fine Linen Table Cloths, all hand drawn, a cloth.....\$3.50 to \$5.00

Stylish Outer Wear for Women, Misses and Children

Glorious Winter Special Values in things you need. Fine to buy for yourself. Fine to give to your friends.

Every garment is in correct style and shows a richness of value entirely out of proportion to the very small prices placed upon them for this great Polvogt Christmas Sale.

Ladies' Coat Suits, \$12.50 and \$13.50 values, special.....\$10.00
Ladies' Coat Suits, \$15.00 values special.....\$12.50
Ladies' Coat Suits, \$18.50 values special.....\$15.00
Ladies' Coat Suits, \$20.00 values special.....\$16.50
Ladies' Coat Suits, \$25.00 values special.....\$21.00
Ladies' Coat Suits, \$30.00 values special.....\$25.00
Ladies' Coat Suits, \$35.00 and \$37.50 values, special.....\$27.50
\$45.00 and \$50.00 Ladies Suits for.....\$42.50
We will alter any suit free over \$15.00 value. Come early while your size is still in stock. The assortment is still large.

Ladies' black Lynx Fur Set at moderate prices.
Ladies' white Thibet Fur Set, Scarf and Muff to match. Christmas price.....\$25.00
Ladies' German Mink Neck Scarf.....\$60.00
Muff to match.....\$30.00

Polvogt's

GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY

Table Linens and Towels

65c all Linen Table Damask, 68-in. wide, special.....50c
75c Satin Damask, 68-in. wide, special sale.....63c
85c Linen Damask, full two yards wide, special sale.....73c
\$1.00 Linen Satin Damask, two yards wide, special sale.....85c
\$1.25 Fine Bleached Satin Damask, special, per yard.....\$1.00
Large assortment of Linen Damask Napkins to match: \$2.00 Napkins \$1.75 per doz.; \$1.75 Napkins \$1.50, per doz.; \$2.50 Napkins \$2.00 per doz.; \$3.00 Napkins, \$2.50 per doz.
Extra large bleached Turkish Towels, worth \$35c. Special for Christmas sale, only, each.....22c
15c bleached Turkish Towels, good size, special.....12c
35c bleached Huck Towels, hemstitched, special.....25c
25c Linen bleached Damask fringe Towel, special.....20c
15c fine Huck Towel, large size, special.....11c
\$1.25 all Linen 10-4 Sheeting, special for this sale, per yard.....\$1.00
All Linen heavy Huck Towels, good value, special.....25c

Hotel Keepers will save money by calling on us during this month and supply their linen demands. The above prices will hold good during the month of December, provided goods are not sold before you want them. Come early and often.

Ribbons and Neckwear

6-yard pieces of Holly Ribbon to tie your Xmas packages for only 10c; six yards still wider for, a piece.....15c
10-yard spool of baby Ribbon, all colors, a spool.....10c
Wide Satin and Taffeta Ribbons, worth 35c to 50c a yard, will be sold during this sale for, a yard.....25c
Fancy weave Ribbons, very wide, worth 60c to 75c, will be sold for 50c a yard. The assortment contains Moire, Dresden, Satin Stripes and plain Ribbon.
Jetted Dog Collars, a new novelty.....89c, \$1.00 and \$1.25
Lace Collars, jet trimmed, handsome Xmas present.....\$1.00 and \$1.25
Irish Lace stock Collars.....25c, 39c and 50c
Linen and embroidered Collars.....12 1-2c and 25c
White Linen Stocks.....50c
Baby Irish Coat Sets, collars and cuffs to match.....75c and \$2.00
Baby Irish lace Yokes.....\$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50
Linen Ent. Collars, for shirt waist.....15c and 25c
Hudnut's Violet Water, Christmas price.....50c
One pound package of Talcum Powder.....25c
50c fancy Tuck Combs, special Christmas price, each.....25c
Six yards Tourist Rushing, white only, Xmas price, a box.....15c
three-yard box Tourist Rushing, good quality, special.....8c

Our Annual Christmas Sale of Elegant Furs

Brilliant Fur Pieces and Garments for Small cost. Unlimited money could not purchase a finer gift.

Every piece backed by the Polvogt guarantee of "Right or a cheerful return of your money," don't forget that, it makes fur buying here as safe as doing business with a bank.

Ladies' Coney Fur Throws, extra long, each.....\$3.00
Ladies' O'possum Fur Scarf, \$5.00 value, special.....\$3.75
Ladies' O'possum Fur Scarf, \$6.00 value, special.....\$4.75
Ladies' Water Mink Scarf, \$10.00 value, special.....\$8.00
Ladies' Blended Squirrel Scarfs, \$12.50 value, special.....\$10.00
Ladies' black Int. Lynx Neck Scarf, \$12.50 value, special.....\$10.00
Ladies' black Coney Fur Scarf, \$7.50 value, special.....\$6.50
Ladies' \$25.00 Sable Fox Scarf, special price.....\$18.75
Ladies Gray Squirrel Sets in Scarf and Muffs.
Ladies' blue Lynx Fur Sets, \$25.00 to.....\$50.00
We are showing the largest assortment of Children's Fur Sets ever shown in Wilmington.

Polvogt's

ENLIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Great Fight Against Tuberculosis Enlisting Support Everywhere.

Pelzer, S. C., Dec. 17.—Sunday School workers throughout the country are being invited to co-operate in the campaign against tuberculosis. To help this along, General Secretary J. M. Way has sent a letter to the American Tuberculosis Exhibition in which he says:

"I shall be very glad indeed if our Sunday School workers shall see proper to agitate the important question of taking care of the physical man as well as the spiritual. No matter how spiritually inclined the future generation of boys and girls may be, when they reach manhood and womanhood they cannot do the important work which an omnipotent God may assign them unless they shall have so cared for their health as to develop a perfect physical manhood and womanhood. It is undoubtedly a duty of Christian men and women to regard in the most careful manner, the laws of sanitation. As an example, Christian people always refer us to the history of God's chosen people as recorded in the Old Testament Scriptures, and it would be impossible for us to find a better example of health. They seem to have had a perfect regard for the welfare of their bodies and their rules of diet, clothing themselves and other necessary rules for the care of the body were as perfect in my opinion as any nationality has ever observed."

"It is my opinion that a Sunday School teacher, when striving to prepare a boy or girl for God's service in the future, should keep constantly in mind the fact that that boy or girl must have a strong body and a strong mind in order to render the service that is expected. This campaign against tuberculosis, as I see it, means a campaign for cleanliness, for proper and properly cooked food, unsanitary food, and to state the entire matter briefly, to live each day by an intelligent, systematically arranged programme. It means the improvement of the homes. It means that cheerfulness shall breathe with a smile the face that has long frowned because of care."

"If the Sunday School teacher can a body from a disease as well as a soul from eternal perdition, I think it is a God-given opportunity and a duty."

SCHOOL OF FARMING.

Columbia University Planning For Agricultural Training of Students.

New York, Dec. 17.—Columbia University is planning the establishment of a \$2,000,000 school of farming. A committee of professors which has been wrestling with the preliminary problems presented by the plan announces that the course of study will occupy two years. Class room instruction will be given only from October 1st to April 1st, the remainder of the year being devoted to working in the field.

For the purposes of the school the committee thinks it will be necessary to acquire between 1,000 and 2,000 acres of land within a reasonable distance of New York city. To purchase this, to erect buildings and to stock and equip the institution will require about \$1,500,000. After the work has been organized and is in running order, it is believed that the income from the farm will assist largely in meeting the expense of the work.

The committee believes that the financial returns for those properly trained in agricultural work are so large that many persons who now struggle along on small salaries in the city may feel impelled to study practical farming if the opportunity is presented to them.

SALISBURY'S FATAL FIRE.

R. H. Pender Thrown to Death From Horse Cart—Fire Loss \$50,000.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 17.—As a result of a fire in the business section of Salisbury, 94 miles south of here tonight, one person is dead, another fatally and a third slightly injured. Damage to the Empire Clothing Company's building to the extent of \$50,000 was done.

The local department could not cope with the blaze and the Spencer department was summoned. After two hours of fierce fighting the flames were under control.

R. H. Pender was killed and Earl Keeter fatally injured as the result of attempting to board the horse cart which swerved sharply and threw them violently to the ground. Keeter was removed to the hospital where at 2 o'clock this morning "it is said he cannot live. The name of the third man is unknown."

INDIA RUBBER IMPORTS.

Industrial Expansion of the Nation is Held Responsible.

Washington, Dec. 17.—More India rubber has been imported to the United States during the past year than has ever before been reported by the bureau of statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor. During the ten months ending with October, the importations of India rubber, including balata, gutta percha and gutta serena, reached the record total of \$62,000,000.

During the last twenty years the demand for India rubber has been constantly increasing. The industrial expansion of the country is held responsible.

Few, if any, of the India material for which the United States depends upon a foreign nation show increases of importation to compare with that of India rubber.

STAUNCH FRIEND TO FRANCE.

Leopold Formerly a Familiar Figure at Palace in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 17.—The death of King Leopold, of Belgium, removes one of the staunchest friends of France. Though pleasure loving, he married his career, Frenchmen consider the role played by Leopold II. in Europe distinctive of a political peace-maker. He was frequently the counselor of other monarchs. His intervention prevented scandal in many princely households, notably those of Germany and Austria.

A few years ago he was a familiar figure on the boulevards and at the opera and restaurants, where he earned the title of "the sportiest King in Europe." Since his alliance with his morganatic wife, Baroness Vaughan, however, places of amusement have seen little of him.

FIFTY MILLION STAMPS.

Officers of American Red Cross Society Redoubting Their Efforts.

Washington, Dec. 18.—With Christmas only eight days away, the officials of the American Red Cross are redoubting their efforts to achieve a phenomenal sale of their little holiday stamps or stickers, with every prospect of success. It is now hoped to increase the number issued and sold much beyond the original estimate of fifty millions.

The sale of the stamps now extends over the entire country and they are being distributed not only by Red Cross branches, but by all anti-tuberculosis and charitable societies in thousands of towns and cities. The postal department has given the Red Cross the privilege of selling the stamps in the corridors of all post-offices.

As far back as 1862 stamps were sold as a means of raising funds for charitable purposes. In that year great numbers of these stamps known as "Sanitary Fair Stamps" were sold at a fair or festival held in Boston, the proceeds from the sale of which were to be used in the care of the wounded from the Civil war. Two such fairs were held in Brooklyn, one of which, in 1864, netted \$400,000. In the same year, from April to June, the Great Central Fair was held in New York City, at which the "United States Sanitary Commission" stamps were sold. The fair netted \$1,200,000. Various organizations and agencies in several foreign countries fell into line and issued many such stamps of different styles.

Thus, in looking around for a legitimate means of raising funds with which to assist the various organizations throughout the United States in their hard uphill fight against tuberculosis, the Red Cross rediscovered this little stamp or sticker. The price is so small that everyone, no matter what station in life he may have occupied, may aid if he will. And while using these little messengers to carry Christmas greetings on letters, packages and gifts, one may also feel that he is doing an act of benevolence.

The 1908 Red Cross Christmas stamp (after a design contributed by Howard Pyle) netted in round numbers, \$140,000, which was used entirely in anti-tuberculosis work throughout the country. With this money some of the organizations carried on educational campaigns, some employed visiting nurses to go among the tuberculous poor; others constructed and maintained "day camps" where sufferers could go and enjoy the fresh air, rest and receive the proper nourishment; and others expended their proportion of the money in furnishing proper diet, such as fresh milk, eggs, etc., to patients.

MARRIED AT KINSTON.

Mr. Thos O'Berry Claims Charming Bride in Lenoir.

Kinston, Dec. 16.—A social event of State-wide interest took place in this city last night when Miss Annie Land and Mr. Thomas O'Berry were united in marriage. It was a quiet, home wedding but one of the most beautiful that has ever occurred here. In the bay window of the east parlor, the altar was built, upon which the ceremony took place in the presence of a number of relatives and friends.

Just before the bridal party came in, the guests were delighted by a song, "Could I But Tell," rendered with violin and harp accompaniment, by Miss Marie Long of Statesville, whose sweet, rich voice has often received high praise in Kinston.

At the appointed time Messrs. Bennett Perry and John Wood drew down the white spread which served as a pathway for the bridal party to enter. Then as the strain, of Lohengrin's march swelled forth the excellent orchestra, Misses Madeline White, Belle Braswell, Rachel Borden, Anne Archbell, Estelle O'Berry and Katie Lee Banks, intimate friends of the bride, entered the parlor carrying ropes of white tulle entwined with smilax, and formed an aisle extending from the doorway to the altar.

Next the minister, Rev. Ralph Deal, of the Presbyterian church, entered and took his position at the altar. Following him came the groom accompanied by his best man, Mr. Hampden Hill of Goldsboro. Then came the bride leaning upon the arm of her brother, Mr. Edward M. Land, who gave her away.

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple received the congratulations of their many friends and then amid showers of rice and scores of well wishes the party drove to the Norfolk & Southern station where they took a special car for Goldsboro. From Goldsboro the bridal couple departed on a tour of Northern cities. They will be at home in Goldsboro after December 24th.

A MAN OF BUSINESS.

Late King of Belgium There With Best of Them.

New York, Dec. 17.—American financiers who had dealings with King Leopold during the last ten years of his life express themselves as having been deeply impressed with his remarkable business ability.

Thomas F. Wash, a Colorado miner, who was interested with Leopold in Congo mining enterprises, is quoted as saying: "The King was more like an American than any man I met abroad, and he had a greater turn for business."

J. Pierpont Morgan, who had frequent dealings with the monarch, is reported to have expressed the opinion that the King of the Belgians was the greatest business man he had ever met. Thomas F. Ryan is another New York financier who came to know King Leopold very well. Mr. Ryan secured from the King the exclusive right to gather rubber over a vast area in the Congo and also joined with the Guggenheims in an exploration company which is developing certain mining sections in the Free State.

A Prescription for Lung Trouble. One of Asheville, N. C. most successful physicians invented Rydale's Cough Elixer and used it in the treatment of chronic throat and lung diseases with remarkable success. This wonderful remedy will relieve the most stubborn cough in a short while and soon stop it altogether. The prescription can be relied on in all throat and lung affections. It is the best treatment for chronic lung trouble ever discovered and no one so afflicted should fail to use it. Trial size 25c. Large size 50c. Robt. R. Bellamy.

THE WATERWAY EDITION.

The Wilmington Star yesterday morning produced a Tidewater Edition of 40 pages, all illustrated and containing much information about the town and the section of country roundabout. It was in every respect a fine production and is an earnest of the new life The Star has taken on.—Charlotte Chronicle.

The forty-page "Thirty-Foot Waterway Edition" of the Wilmington Star is in every respect a magnificent edition, and the story it tells in illustration and pen pictures of Wilmington shows that our chief seaport is worthy of the deeper water which it is trying to secure. A splendid edition does credit to the Star and the City of Wilmington.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The Wilmington Star on Tuesday The Wilmington Star on Tuesday that was something worth looking at. It was certainly creditable to the paper and to Wilmington.—Greenville Daily Reflector.

The Wilmington Star, founded in 1867, issued a waterway edition of 40 pages yesterday. It exhibits enterprise and push and shows that the present management are newspaper men of ability and making good. The Star is one of the State's first papers, and has always stood in the forefront. It has our best wishes.—Washington Daily News.

One of the biggest newspaper achievements in North Carolina in a long time was the large and handsome 40-page paper issued Tuesday by the esteemed Morning Star, of Wilmington, which its promoters were pleased to call "The 30-Foot Waterway Edition." It was attractively gotten up, and contained much matter of vital interest to Wilmington and the State at large. The Star is doing a great work towards the development of Wilmington, the future of which looms brighter every day.—Mt. Olive Tribune.

The Morning Star of Wilmington has gotten out a magnificent "Thirty-foot Waterway" edition. The paper contains 40 pages and is a credit to its publishers and to the city of Wilmington. It is full to running over of interesting matter pertaining to waterway and to the entire State. Its advertisements show the loyalty and support of the Wilmington merchants to a degree that must be very gratifying to the publishers.

The Star speaks a truth that has at last pretty generally soaked into the minds of all the people of the State, when it says that "Thirty feet to the sea might with the same appropriateness be the slogan of Greensboro or Charlotte, as Wilmington." Wilmington's cause is the cause of all and all the towns of the state are with her in the fight she is making for the deeper channel and in all other efforts she may make for the upbuilding of her trade and commerce.—Raleigh Times

AIMED AT SLAVE TRAFFIC

Bill Reported From Immigration Commission—Heavy Penalty.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A bill aiming at the complete suppression of the "white slave traffic" and imposing imprisonment and heavy fines for any person importing women into this country for immoral purposes or harboring them after their arrival here, was reported out of the Immigration Committee today.

A maximum penalty of ten years imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000 is provided for violations of the law. Any alien found within a house kept for immoral purposes in this country, as manager, inmate or employee, may be deported. Any one returning to the United States following such deportation is made guilty of a misdemeanor. The bill prohibits as a felony the procuring of transportation from one State to another for the use of persons traveling for any lewd or lascivious purpose.

SUDDEN DEATH IN MARION.

N. M. Johnson, a Well Known Citizen Died Thursday.

Florence, S. C., Dec. 17.—Mr. N. M. Johnson, a well known citizen of Marion died suddenly yesterday. He had been sick for some time, but it was not thought that his illness was at all serious. He died as his wife was helping him get ready to eat his breakfast.

Mr. Johnson was one of the two sons of Chancellor Johnson, he leaves a wife and three children, a son and two daughters. One of the daughters was in New York and another was in Marlboro teaching school. They were summoned at once to attend the funeral which will be held tomorrow.

NEW TARGET RECORD.

Fort Morgan Gunners Make 12 Hits Out of 14 Shots.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 17.—It was learned today that a target practice record was established during the recent trials at Fort Morgan by the Ninety-ninth Coast Artillery. Twelve hits out of 14 shots were made at 5,500 yards with 12-inch mortars.

PENALTY FOR AWFUL CRIME.

Negro Electrocuted at Richmond For Assault on Child.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 17.—Clifton Breckenridge, a negro, 19 years old, was electrocuted today for a criminal attack on the six-year-old granddaughter of his Stunton jailer. Breckenridge was a trusty in the jail. He confessed.

The Stomach Cannot Rest. It is a mistake to suppose that the stomach can rest and thus recuperate and by this means dyspepsia is cured. The digestive process begins in the mouth and does not end until the food has reached the intestines. The salivary glands in the mouth, the stomach, lower stomach, liver, spleen, etc., take part in the digestive process. This process is going on continuously. Think of resting the heart or the lungs for a minute, or any other organ. Pepsin pancreatin, etc., do not rest the stomach, they digest the residue of food a weak digestive system cannot digest and thus relieve the body of irritating acids or gas. Rydale's Stomach Tablets contain just enough Pepsin and Pancreatin to do this. They also contain many vegetable tonics and stimulants for the digestive tract. Rydale's Stomach Tablets cure dyspepsia the only way it can be cured. Ask us about them. Robt. R. Bellamy.

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Amateurs and Professionals Started at Atlanta Thursday.

Atlanta, Dec. 16.—Amateurs and professionals started today in open golf tournament at the course of the Atlanta Athletic Club.

Among the prominent golfers present are: Alexander Smith, Wyckagyl; Fred McLeod, Midlothian; Jimmie Malden, Nassau; Dave Ogilvie, Augusta Country Club; George Oliver, Rannep in the last Southern amateur championship and Wilbur Oakes, of Macon.

WIFE STRANGLED TO DEATH.

Husband Held on Graver Charge After Arrest for Drunkenness.

New York, Dec. 16.—While Paul Gebauer was in court awaiting arraignment for intoxication, his wife's dead body was found in their flat in Brooklyn. The woman had been strangled to death during the night. Her five-year-old son was found playing with a clothes line he had unwound from her neck. Gebauer is held on the charge of homicide.

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DAVIS MONUMENT.

Mr. L. H. McClammy Pays Tribute to Distinguished Wilmingtonian.

Editor of Star:

On a recent visit to Wilmington, in the month of October, that most beautiful month of the year, when the dreamy haze of the hills melts into the riotous splendor of the valleys, as I passed along Market street, I saw a stage erected near its intersection with Third, which, the citizens told me, marked the site upon which that very day the corner stone of a monument was to be laid, in loving memory of George Davis. The day was typical both of the season and the service. Grey clouds veiled the morning as if the heavens mourned that earth had lost one of its noblest spirits. At noon they had gathered in denser volume and soon a shower fell upon the dust laden air and streets. Shortly thereafter, through many a rift the sun came pouring in golden splendor as if a wave of ethereal brightness had rolled from his own far-off land of glory to bathe spire and tower in dazzling brilliance. The stage was covered with stuff of varying color and about it were miniature flags, emblems of that immortal banner which Father Ryan furled in deathless song, but which the hand of glory unrolled to float forever in the halls of fame. The work was one of strictest justice and of haloed love. It was the work of woman, who had gathered the dust of nerves from the fields of their fame and had laid it away in the bosom of their own loved land and covered the mounds with the sweetest and fairest flowers of Spring; of her who shone in that awful gloom like a spirit of light; whose moral courage was grander than even the courage of the Southern soldier, which culminated at Gettysburg in such burst of glory that from the far ages and from the world's most renowned battlefields there came a cry of wonder. Soon that stage would be a bower of beauty and woman would come upon it, crowned with such love and such modesty that circles with leaf of gold on wreath of pearl would seem but a tawdry thing beside it. With woman also the Priest of God would come to invoke the blessing of heaven upon the solemn and historic scene; and with him the orator, himself crowned with the bays and gifted with glorious speech to thrill the souls of men with simple recital of this vanished life. Worthy of it all and more than worthy was the illustrious subject.

It is related of him that, when a young man, he was offered a large fee to defraud an honest man for the enrichment of a knave. Mr. Davis resorted to his tower to the door of his office and bade him never re-enter it. When the black clouds of war tipped with fire swept up the Southern sky his voice was heard in eloquent pleading for the Union. Like the great Webster he loved the Union with an all-absorbing love. Appointed a delegate to the Peace Convention, realizing that peace was to be purchased at the price of infamy he returned home and next morning was drilling as a private in the Light Infantry because the call of his State was to him as the voice of God.

At the close of that dreadful conflict he walked an unconquered hero amidst his country's ruins; her fallen temples and blighted homes called not in vain to his indignant soul. Having but to stretch forth his hand to take the Senatorship, he put it from him in proud disdain and declared in mighty burst of passion that he would never associate with those cravens of the North who had lifted the negro above himself and his countrymen. He put aside the Chief Justiceship of his State when it was tendered him unsought. He had filled one of the highest offices in that eternal empire, which glory had barred to every successor and no diadem of earth and no ribbon of honor could add lustre to his name. For himself, he needs no monument; his life is his eulogy and the dazzling heights to which he soared, the chaff of his ever-widening fame.

What a sacrifice! What loyalty to the Old South! What love for the Lost Cause! Never was a purer offering made by human hand, at dead or living shrine!

Even as the Confederate banner, furled in song, now floats in glory, so this dazzling genius, this soul of patriotic fire, has passed the night, to shine forever. Build to him a monument worthy of the man; worthy of your city's proudest boast and of all Carolina! Pure as his stainless life, towering like his own eagle spirit hunting the sun, catching from afar the first beams of the morning and lighting that dark and historic river with lance of gold!

Already you have placed a stone to the memory of your revolutionary hero; later on and further down this street, you will erect another to an adopted son, gifted also with the gift of the Gods, loving also with a consecrated love every road of his glorious State, leader in the third dark crisis of your history. Build it to him! He well deserves it! Eternal shame be yours, if you give with niggard hand to these noble women, so patient of toil and rebuff; angels of your homes, guardians of your history. They have buried your heroes; they have made fairer the chevrons worn in the service of Lee; they have taken a day from time and given it as a memorial to the only God of War born upon the American continent, whose glorious spirit soared beyond the sun to the trees along the River of Pearl and they are writing now in sculpture of glory such dazzling names that coming generations shall catch the spirit of that thrilling hour, until this street shall be named "The Street of the Monuments," crowding that shining slope to the very brink, gleaming white, in the light of that far-off morning, upon the silvery mists of the river and lost afar in wreaths of gossamer, adrift on seas of blue!

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RED CROSS IN CHARLESTON. Expert to Sell 50,000 Stamps During the Holidays. Charleston, S. C., Dec. 17.—An announcement has been made by Dr. Jno. L. Dawson, of the appointment of Dr. C. F. Williams, State Health Officer at Columbia, as chairman for the sale of the Red Cross stamps throughout the State. Dr. Dawson is chairman of the State Anti-Tuberculosis Committee, as well as chairman of the Red Cross Committee on Christmas Stamps. Dr. Dawson is in charge of the campaign in Charleston, but has turned over to Dr. Williams the arrangements for the entire State, and it is expected that Charleston will dispose of 50,000 or more stamps, and it is hoped that the rest of the State will double this amount.

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